

THE GLOBE & FAITH: A discussion group about faith and current events that meets Wednesdays at 10:30 am - 12:00 pm with Rev. Wes Denyer in the Study Room.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: If you are able to volunteer at the Jewelry & Jumble Sale, (September 18th & 19th from 11 am - 3 pm on both days,) please speak to Sheelagh Garson, or the church office. We appreciate all your help!

UVIC SUMMER ORCHESTRA: Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on September 6th in the Sanctuary at 2 pm. Donations are appreciated, and support our music program, and our musicians! More information will follow.

HYMN FESTIVAL: Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on September 27th in the Sanctuary at 2 pm. Donations are appreciated, and go towards the purchase of a new piano! More information will follow.



SERVICE BULLETIN

Sunday July 26, 2026

Organ Prelude: Two Voluntaries by Maurice Green

Welcome, Announcements & Land Acknowledgement

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Give thanks to God and call on God's holy name.

We will tell of God's wonderful works!

Let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice.

We will sing God's praises!

First Hymn: #80 Teach me, O Lord, your way of truth

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of the past, present and future, we marvel at the wonder of your creation. We praise you for gardens growing, birds singing, stars twinkling, for shouts of playful joy and restful evening sunsets. Such delights around us remind us of your goodness. God with us, day by day, you also surprise us with moments we will treasure for ever, and with confidence that turns small beginnings into projects that make a huge difference. You promise us a life beyond anything we can imagine, a kingdom marked by grace, love and justice for all. With humble confidence in your loving kindness and grace, we confess to you our sins: We confess we are not always merciful people. We turn away in anger rather than seeking peace and solutions. We criticize those who differ from us in culture or conviction, rather than seeking understanding. →

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We hold grudges and hurt for a lifetime, rather than forgiving as you have forgiven us. In your mercy, give us peace, amend who we are and direct who we shall be. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Who is in a position to condemn us? Only Christ – and Christ died for us; Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. This is good news for us. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. So be at peace and make peace with one another for Christ's sake.

Prayer for Illumination

God of the seeking heart, we search for truth in a world filled with hidden agendas. Send us your Holy Spirit to guide us to the treasures hidden in your Word, for the sake of Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life for us. Amen.

First Scripture: Proverbs 2:1-10 (OT 585)

The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God

Choral Scholar Anthem: Dona Nobis Pacem, attr. W.A. Mozart (Darby Howard, Noah Mellemstrand and Eva Smith, vocal soloists)

Second Scripture: Matthew 6:19-20 (NT 6),
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 (NT 14 -15)

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Second Hymn: #649 How clear is our vocation, Lord

Sermon: Go for the Gold

Music for Reflection: Prelude in G-major by C. Czerny

Invitation to Offering

Third Hymn: #644 May the mind of Christ my Saviour
(Please remain seated.)

Doxology: #79 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven – hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come – thy will be done – on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Fourth Hymn: #663 God, whose giving knows no ending

Charge & Blessing

Choral Dismissal: Amen by John Stainer

Organ Postlude: Dialogue by G. Martin

After the service you are invited to join us for refreshments and fellowship in The Gathering Room!