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September 7, 2025  
Worship Guide

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Holy Communion Deacons Sunday

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**Announcements** Elder Allen Pease

**Welcome** The Reverend Carol Barrett

**Prelude** *Music for Ascension, Part 1*

(I Corinthians 15: 4) Benjamin Watkins, piano

**Call to Worship**

Deacon Michelle Heitink, Liturgist

Liturgist: Come, let us bring our praises into worship,

**People: for God's acts of power!**

Liturgist: Come, let us bring our praises into worship,

**People: for God's amazing greatness.!**

Liturgist: Let everything that has life and breath, praise the Lord!

**\*Opening Hymn** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* #482

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison with Liturgist)

**We thank You, Lord, that no prayer is too small or too simple to bring to you. Forgive us when we stumble to find the perfect prayer, as if You expected us all to be poets. It is so easy to forget to simply tell You how wonderful You are. Show us how to open ourselves to Your kingdom: relating to others as Jesus taught. Hear now our silent confessions....**

**Declaration of Forgiveness** Reverend Carol Barrett



**Passing of the Peace**

Liturgist: God sends this message of joy to all people, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also, with you.**

Liturgist: Let us share Christ's peace with one another

**Music for Meditation**

*My Lord, What a Morning* – H.T Burleigh The UPC Quartet & Benjamin Watkins, piano

**Prayer for Illumination** (Liturgist)

Open our hearts and minds, O God, by your Holy Spirit's power, that as scripture is read and the Gospel announced, we might receive with open hearts whatever you speak to us this day. Amen.



**The Old Testament Lesson** – *Isaiah 64:3-9* – Liturgist

**The New Testament Lesson** – *Matthew 6:1-13* – Pastor

Pastor: The word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon** *The Lord's Prayer – Part 1* Reverend Carol Barrett

**\*Sermon Hymn** *I Believe in God the Father* See last page of Worship Guide

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Invitation to the Lord's Table and Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also, with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise**

“Blessed are You, Lord God....and so, with the company of all believers and those around the throne of God we sing....

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty!**  
**Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.**  
**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty.**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity! (#138)**

**Pastor:** We give you thanks for the Word made flesh in Jesus of Nazareth...Great is the mystery of faith.

**People:** **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again**

The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer* – music by A.H. Malotte      The UPC Quartet

The Distribution of the Elements

Prayer after Communion

**Prayers of the People** – Lay Pastor Alejandra Haddad

**Call for the Offering & Deacons Offering** – Lay Pastor Alejandra Haddad

**Offertory**

*\*Doxology #592*

Prayer of Dedication

**\*Closing Hymn:**                      *Seek Ye First*                      #333

**Charge and Benediction**              Elder Don Root

**Postlude**                      *God Be with You till We Meet Again*                      Dr. Benjamin Watkins

\*Please stand if you are able

**UPC Prayer List** - Email requests to: [upcbloomington@gmail.com](mailto:upcbloomington@gmail.com).

Andy Hill's cousin, Jeff, passed. Pray for Andy and all families as they mourn his loss.

Kevin Jones   Roby Lorimer   Virginia McCartney   Kathleen Olds   Anita Steverson

His Eyes Mission in Honduras   Nyaka Global in Uganda

The people of Georgia, Nigeria, Middle East and Ukraine

### **Emergency and Disaster Responders**

God our help and hope when waters rise, you brought Israel safely through the sea.

Sustain all those who seek to save others, so that they may repair the ruined cities, raise up the former devastations, and be the restorers of streets to live in; through Jesus Christ, our eternal savior. *(Based on Isaiah 58, 61) A Prayer for Rescue, Recovery, and Relief Workers.*

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**Johann Sebastian Bach   Concerto in D Minor BWV 1052**

**Noon – September 21**

Benjamin Watkins – piano with Contra Bassoon, Cello, Viola and Violins

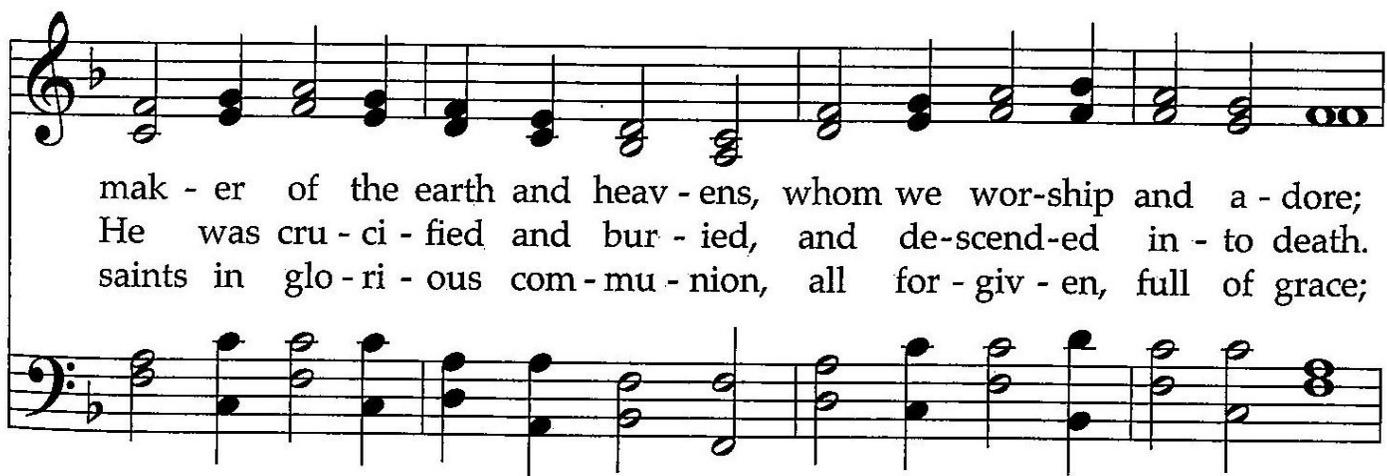
Free Admission – All are welcome.

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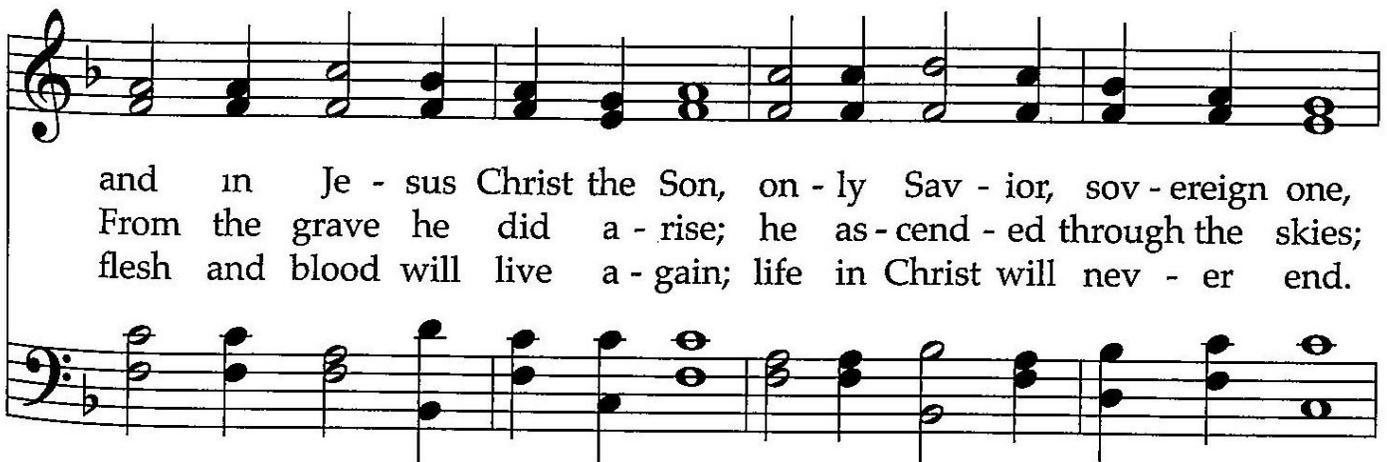
# I Believe in God the Father



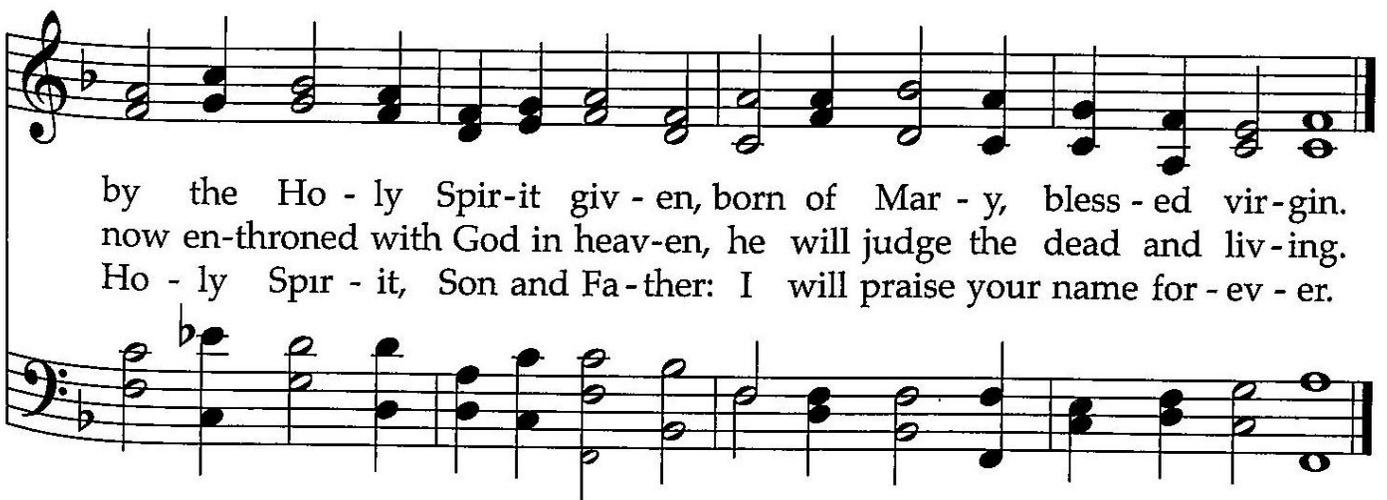
1 I be-lieve in God the Fa - ther, mer - ci - ful and might-y Lord,  
2 Un - der Pi - late, Je - sus suf - fered, faith - ful to his fi - nal breath.  
3 I be-lieve in God the Spir - it, and the church in ev - ery place;



mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, whom we wor-ship and a - dore;  
He was cru - ci - fied and bur - ied, and de-scend-ed in - to death.  
saints in glo - ri - ous com - mu - nion, all for - giv - en, full of grace;



and in Je - sus Christ the Son, on - ly Sav - ior, sov - ereign one,  
From the grave he did a - rise; he as - cend - ed through the skies;  
flesh and blood will live a - gain; life in Christ will nev - er end.



by the Ho - ly Spir-it giv - en, born of Mar - y, bless - ed vir-gin.  
now en-throned with God in heav-en, he will judge the dead and liv-ing.  
Ho - ly Spir - it, Son and Fa - ther: I will praise your name for - ev - er.

## UDC September Anniversaries and Birthdays

September 2 Agatha Nyarko    September 3 Don Root    September 11 Glenda Nyarko  
September 15 Alexander Isamu Like    September 17 Yasmina Haddad, Sarah Napoli  
September 21 Fadi Haddad    September 29 Vera and Gerrit Heitink