



## *Graduation Sunday*

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

June 12, 2022 10:30 am Order of Worship

Prelude: *Meditation*, E. Ashford

Dr. Larisa Soboleva, Music Director

Greeting

Call to Worship (Proverbs 8, Romans 5, John 16)

Worship Leader

Leader: To you, O people, wisdom calls.

**People: She calls out to each of us: beckoning us to experience peace in Christ, harkening us to discover the truth of life; imploring us to know true love, as it is poured into our heart.**

Leader: Wisdom calls.

**People: Let us answer her call, as we celebrate faith in the one who leads us into life.**

Hymn: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* #89

congregation may sing

Opening Prayer

Worship Leader

**Gracious God, In this lifetime, we face a great many milestones. Some happy. Some sad. Many both at once. In this season of graduations, we celebrate the joy of new beginnings as well as grieve the inevitable arrival of endings. For both good endings and bad, may we show grace to ourselves and to others. Help us to look forward with hope to the future, knowing always that you are with us. Give us the strength to step boldly into the unknown and the faith to trust you in the process. Give us the courage to be honest with ourselves and with others about our limits. When we walk forward onto a new path, may we acknowledge when we need help and be vulnerable enough to ask for it. We thank you for the friends and family you place along the road of our life's journey. May we receive their love and friendship with open arms, knowing**

**that all the love we give and receive in this world comes from you. May we not overlook the wise counsel and encouragement of those steadfast saints who have been our faithful guideposts all along the way. For the many milestones in this lifetime, help us to walk onward through them all. And when we stumble, help us get back up again. For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, the one who grieves the sorrows of this life with us and celebrates our joys with us, too. Amen.**

Scripture: Proverbs 24:10-16; Romans 5:1-5

Worship Leader

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God**

Sermon: *Resilience*

Rev. Stephen K. Perrine

Recognition of Graduates

Offertory: *Andante*, G. Stephens

Doxology Hymnal #95

congregation may sing

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: *This Is a Day of New Beginnings* #383

congregation may sing

Announcements

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude: *Postlude*, E. Ashford

Announcements

**Food Pantry** items needed for **June** are bar soap, shampoo and toilet paper.

The **June Engage Mission** is the Liberia Project #11820A Bishop Craig Children's Village.

**Thursday Believe Bible Study** resumes in the Fall 2022 after Labor Day.

Opportunities to serve Good Shepherd (indicate on the connection card):

- train to operate soundboard and audio/visual equipment in sanctuary
- host coffee and conversation following worship including setup and cleanup
- provide Sunday transportation for members needing assistance

Weekly emails are sent on Friday to the Good Shepherd congregation. Please notify via the connection card or church office 313 278-4350 if you don't receive them.