



## **FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**Bulletin for  
6th Sunday after Pentecost  
June 30th, 2024**

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**Service is In-Person or on Zoom**

**ZOOM:**

**<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5166943424?pwd=TWtTVElWUHNXbjVNcnNMaG9wTVJrZz09>**

**Meeting ID: 5166943424 Password 11735**

**\*The YouTube option is no longer available. Please use Zoom instead.**

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Rev. Claire Hojung Wu, Pastor  
David Majoros, D.M.A., Director of Music  
Lois Muller, Liturgist

## GATHERING

“Piece for Organ” – C. Franck

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*PRELUDE

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”  
+ Bringing the light of Christ into the sanctuary

UMH #117 (vv. 1, 3, 5)

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Arise, people of faith, that Christ may give us life.

This is the day of meeting in Christ’s name.

**We reach out for health and wholeness.**

**We embrace one another with concern and care.**

God is attentive to us and hears our cries.

God challenges us to eager encouragement in life.

**Like those who watch eagerly for the morning,**

**We wait in joyous anticipation of God’s Word.**

The word of life is ours to receive.

The good news is available to be shared.

**We will sing praises to God’s holy name.**

**We will tell of God’s faithfulness day by day.**

### \*OPENING HYMN

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

FWS #2153 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

## SHARING GOD’S BLESSINGS WITH EACH OTHER

### INVOCATION

We gather to thank you, gracious God, for those times when we have been lifted up by you and known your healing touch. You have clothed us with joy and filled us with hope. We are grateful that even in our days of deepest gloom and despair, you have surrounded us with a love stronger than all our pain and doubts and grievous losses. Come to us now that, together and individually, we may sense larger realities than the narrow focus of our daily concerns. We await your word. Amen.

### \*GLORIA PATRI

UMH #71

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of peace, we confess that we have relied too much on the weapons of war. We are more ready to honor warriors than to give support to those who work diligently for justice and equality of opportunity. We extol our accumulation of gadgets over a balanced sharing of resources. We are more interested in securing your**

**support for our desires than in conforming ourselves to your will. You have given us much, and we have misspent this abundance, creating idols and pursuing illusions of pleasure. O God, forgive us and re-center us in ways that really matter. Amen.**

### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

If God marked iniquities, who could stand? Yet there is forgiveness from the Source of Life. There is power to redeem us from the most grievous sin. God offers steadfast love to re-center our lives. When we revere God, all else in life is seen in a new light. What was dead in us is brought to life. Our brokenness is healed. Our priorities are changed. Praise God!

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

#### **PASTOR'S PRAYER**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** Hebrews 5:11-6:3

**\*GOSPEL READING** John 21:15-19

Leader: This is the Word of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION** "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" FWS #2223 (vv. 1, 2)

**SERMON** Pastor Claire Wu

#### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**OFFERTORY** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" UMH #474  
Congregational Hymn

**\*DOXOLOGY** UMH #95

#### **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**We pray that you will find our gifts acceptable, God. If we have not given according to what we have, we seek the courage to do so. May these gifts relieve suffering and reveal hope. May they give meaning to all who give and all who receive. We dedicate them, that those who have much may not have too much, and those who have little may not have too little. Amen.**

**\*HYMN** "Cry of My Heart" FWS #2165

#### **\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** "Cry of My Heart" FWS #2165 (Refrain)

*Our worship has ended. Our service begins.*

(\* Please stand as you are able.

***OUR THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR MINISTRY:***

**UPCOMING LITURGISTS:**

July 2024

7<sup>th</sup> – Betty Gastelua  
14<sup>th</sup> – Faustina Gyedu  
21<sup>st</sup> – Danny Gastelua  
28<sup>th</sup> – Karen Gierie Newman

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:**

July 2024

7<sup>th</sup> – Faustina & Vicki  
14<sup>th</sup> – Smith/Muller  
21<sup>st</sup> – Jayme & Diane  
28<sup>th</sup> – Rita & John

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME, VISITORS!**

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today! If this is your first time with us, be sure to stop by the Visitor Center, in the room to the side of the Sanctuary, for a welcome packet and a gift! If you wish to receive our newsletter, please send us your contact information to [office@farmingdaleumc.org](mailto:office@farmingdaleumc.org) and visit our website [farmingdaleumc.org](http://farmingdaleumc.org).

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- Vision Bearers Meeting - Today at 11:00 a.m.
- Trustees Meeting – Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

**2023 ANNUAL REPORT** – Check out what your church has been up to! Copies of the 2023 Annual Report are available at the Visitor’s Desk.

**FAVORITE HYMNS & PRAISES:** We will be singing everyone’s favorite Hymns and Praises during July and August. Please email the church office at [office@farmingdaleumc.org](mailto:office@farmingdaleumc.org) with your favorites by Sunday, July 7th.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!** We will be volunteering at the Long Island Ducks games on Saturdays and Sundays. See Garry Wurth or Danny Gastelua to sign up. The more stands/games we cover, the more money we make.

**CONCERNS & COMMITMENTS:**

Whenever the gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, the Spirit of God is at work. If you have been touched by God and desire to make a commitment to Christ and to His Church or you would like to have the pastor pray with/for you, please *come to the Altar after worship*, the pastor will meet with you for prayer.

**PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS**

We share prayer requests as part of our regular service. Please raise your hand for the microphone to share your prayer concerns and joys with the congregation. If you have private prayer requests, please write your prayer request upon your arrival at the sanctuary, and then pass it to the offering basket during the offertory time. Thank you!

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