



# Homecoming Sunday

*Finding Home while Apart*



MOUNT HOLLYWOOD  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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~ *Order of Worship* ~

***Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

***September 13, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.***

*We Gather in Community*

<b>Welcoming Music</b>		Joe Lawrence
	<i>Opening slideshow put together by Vince Waldron</i>	
<b>Welcome</b>		Rev. Ashley Hiestand
<b>Introit</b>	<i>"Fanfare for Homecoming Sunday"</i> Kelly Tate	J.L.
<b>Ringing of the Bell</b>		Young Person
<b>Announcements</b>		Sylvie de Rouin
<b>Gathering Prayer (Unison)</b>	<i>Adapted from UCC Worship Way</i>	Sylvie de Rouin

*We gather to worship together from near and far,  
Each different, with unique lives and journeys,*

*Yet all children of the same Parent,  
Created lovingly by the Source of all life!*

*We gather to reconnect with one another,  
Holding different joys and sorrows, different hopes and fears,  
Yet all disciples of one Teacher.  
Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.*

*Heart to heart, home to home –  
One unifying Spirit; one bond of love.  
Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us, among us, and through us.  
Amen.*

**Passing the Peace**

Jimena Carlson

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us share the sign of peace with one another.

**We invite you to unmute yourself as you pass the peace.**

**We Share the Word**

**Time with our Young People**

Vince Waldron

**Solo**

“Home” from *The Wiz*  
Autumn Ericson, soloist

C. Smalls

**Reading**

**Psalm 23**

Erik Jaffe

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;  
he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths  
for his name’s sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil;  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff—  
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord  
my whole life long.

**Introduction**

Rev. Ashley Hiestand

**Community Reflections**

Jean Koch  
Susan Requia  
Hilary Ward & Clay Widdifield

**We Break Bread Together**

**Communion Hymn**

Deeper Love, verses 1 & 5

Jim Burklo

**Invitation to the Table**

This is an open table. No matter where you are on Life's Journey, you are welcome here.

**Sharing the Elements**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** (Unison)

*As one body, we lament with those who lament.  
We hope with those who hope.  
We live with suffering. We live with beauty.  
Let us go from this table as a renewed community,  
doing the radical work of Jesus that calls us  
to live justice-making lives of faith.  
We are followers of God's Way.  
We give thanks.*

**We Pray**

**Joys, Concerns and Discoveries - Silent Prayer**

Rev. Ashley Hiestand

*It is our practice at Mt. Hollywood to share our Gratitude and Joy, Concerns and Discoveries.*

**Our Common Prayer** (Unison)

Our Father/Mother/Creator, 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.

**We Give**

**Words that Inspire us to Give**

Chris Reynolds

**Solo**

"Wade In The Water"  
Rada Jovicic, soloist

African-American Spiritual

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**Sung Response # 8 v.4**

**Praise to the living God, around, within, above,  
Beyond the grasp of human mind, but whom we know as Love.  
In these tumultuous days, so full of hope and strife,  
May we bear witness to the Way, O Source and Goal of Life.**

**Prayer of Dedication**

Chris Reynolds

**We Are Sent**

**Sending Hymn**

#372, verses 1 & 4

God, You Have Sent Us

**Benediction**

Rev. Ashley Hiestand

*Go forth in Wisdom, in hope, in courage  
With hearts open to recognize the signs of God in our midst,  
and courage to create more space for grace in our lives and our world.*

**Postlude**

Joe Lawrence

We invite you to stay online for Zoom Virtual Coffee Hour!

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