

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**July 19, 2020**  
***The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost***  
***And Feast of the Pastor's Birthday***  
**11:00am**  
***St. John's United Methodist Church***

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Gathering Music Jim Ahrend

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Jim Ahrend

Invocation

Call to Worship

Lord God, King of Creation, we gather in your presence.

**Open our eyes to see your presence,**

Open our souls to sense your presence,

**Open our hearts to love your presence.**

This is the day our God has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Hymn "I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath" UMH 60

# 60 I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

*Unison*

1. I'll praise my Mak - er while I've breath; and when my voice  
 2. Hap - py are they whose hopes re - ly on Is - rael's God,  
 3. The Lord pours eye - sight on the blind; the Lord sup - ports  
 4. I'll praise my God who lends me breath; and when my voice

is lost in death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers.  
 who made the sky and earth and seas, with all their train;  
 the faint - ing mind and sends the la - boring con - science peace.  
 is lost in death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers.

My days of praise shall ne'er be past, while life, and thought,  
 whose truth for - ev - er stands se - cure, who saves th'op - pressed  
 God helps the stran - ger in dis - tress, the wid - ow and  
 My days of praise shall ne'er be past, while life, and thought,

and be - ing last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.  
 and feeds the poor, for none shall find God's prom - ise vain.  
 the fa - ther - less, and grants the pris - oner sweet re - lease.  
 and be - ing last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.

WORDS: Isaac Watts, 1719; alt. by John Wesley, 1737; alt. 1989 (Ps. 146)  
 MUSIC: Attr. to Matthäus Greiter, 1525; harm. by V. Earle Copes, 1963

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Affirmation of Faith

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**We are not alone. We live in God's world.  
 We believe in God:  
 Who has created and is creating,**

**Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
To reconcile and make new,  
Who works in us and others by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the church:  
To celebrate God's presence,  
To love and serve others,  
To seek justice and resist evil,  
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
Our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.  
We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Prayer of Confession  
Words of Assurance

Invitation to Give

*Go to [stjohns-abq.org](http://stjohns-abq.org) to give online.  
You may also mail checks to: St. John's UMC, 2626 Arizona Street NE, 87110*

Offertory Music

**"If You Search With All Your Heart"**  
Craig Courtney

Shea Perry

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!  
Praise God, all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow'r uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

UMH 94

Offertory Prayer

Hymn

**"O Thou In Whose Presence"**

UMH 518

1. O Thou, in whose pres - ence my soul takes de -  
 2. Where dost thou, dear Shep - herd, re - sort with thy  
 3. O why should I wan - der, an a - lien from  
 4. Re - store, my dear Sav - ior, the light of thy  
 5. He looks! and ten thou - sands of an - gels re -

light, on whom in af - flic - tion I call,  
 sheep, to feed them in pas - tures of love?  
 thee, or cry in the des - ert for bread?  
 face, thy soul - cheer - ing com - fort im - part;  
 joice, and myr - i - ads wait for his word.

my com - fort by day and my song in the  
 Say, why in the val - ley of death should I  
 Thy foes will re - joice when my sor - rows they  
 and let the sweet to - kens of par - don - ing  
 He speaks! and e - ter - ni - ty, filled with his

night, my hope, my sal - va - tion, my all!  
 weep, or a - lone in this wil - der - ness rove?  
 see, and smile at the tears I have shed.  
 grace bring joy to my des - o - late heart.  
 voice, re - ech - oes the praise of the Lord.

WORDS: Joseph Swain, 1791 (Ps. 23)  
 MUSIC: Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*, 1813;  
 harm. by Austin C. Lovelace, 1963

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## Pastoral Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

*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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Message

“God’s Mysterious Presence”

Rev. Dr. Carl Schenck

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn

“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”  
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Benediction

Postlude

Jim Ahrend

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*Worship Leaders:*

*Rev. Dr. Carl Schenck, Matthew Greer  
Jarrod Conyers, Jim Ahrend, Shea Perry*

## 664 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

*Unison*

1. Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2. With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er liv - ing,

the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - ery - day life we will face.

The ser - vice is end - ed, O now be ex - tend - ed  
Our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,

the fruits of our wor - ship in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of the teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,  
With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us;

shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
u - nite us as one in this life that we share.

God's grace did in - vite us, and love shall u - nite us  
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing

to work for God's king - dom and an - swer the call.  
give hon - or to Christ and that name which we bear.