

# thisSummer@ CHURCH

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

## SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:00 AM

In the Sanctuaries of  
Our Church Building AND on Zoom  
Email the Church Office for Weekly  
Connection Info  
office@eastchurch.org

### WELCOME VISITORS!

We are glad to have you with us!  
If you are with us online, please place  
your contact info in the chat. If you are  
with us in the building, please fill out  
the blue card located in our pew racks  
and place it in one of the offering boxes  
so we can begin to get to know you and  
connect you with others in our  
community.

### NAMES MATTER

Please remember to wear your name  
tags or update your screen name (first  
name only) to show your welcome to  
newcomers and forgetful old-timers.  
Speak to Mike Maholchic if you need a  
physical nametag.

### COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be celebrated on  
the first Sunday of July, August and  
September. The table is open to all  
children, youth, and adults. We will  
serve grape juice and gluten free bread  
in prepared single servings hoping that  
all who desire to partake may do so.  
"Communion" envelopes are available  
on the first Sundays of the month for  
anyone who wishes to give to the  
Deacons' Fund for members of the  
community in need of financial  
assistance.

### OUR VISION

Drawn together  
in the mystery of God  
and led by Christ,  
we will grow in the Spirit  
by engaging faith,  
embracing change,  
and seeking justice for all.

### OUR MISSION

Building and serving community  
in Christ's name.



## SUMMER WORSHIP 2022

*Please leave this worship guide in the pew or return it  
to an usher at the end of worship so we can continue  
to use it throughout the summer*

*(\*Please rise in body or spirit as you are able...)*

## WE GATHER

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

to all worshipping with us today:

- in this house of God,
- in all the houses of God where our virtual worshippers gather, and
- in God's good creation that holds and sustains us all

### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Holy God of wind and fire;

Many: **Dance through our hearts today.**

One: Holy God of natural calamities and illness;

Many: **Share our tears of sadness and pain.**

One: Holy God of creation and new beginnings;

Many: **Show us again your vision of healing and wholeness.**

One: Holy God of birth and death and everything in between;

Many: **We gather now to worship you.**

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### \*HYMN

### \*SHARING A SIGN OF UNITY & RECONCILIATION

We pass the peace of Christ through the chat and by rising to wave or smile or  
offer a virtual hug, deep bow, or other sign of peace, and the peace of Christ,  
to one another.

### BETH-EL OFFERINGS

## WE ENCOUNTER THE GIFT OF GOD'S WORD

### SCRIPTURE READING

### HOMILY

## BUILDING OUR BETH-EL

Worshippers are invited to bring to the Beth-el a token (a stone, a shell, or a feather, for example) or a small container of water from a place where they may have been especially aware of the sacred, or where they felt a holy presence or a "thin place." These tokens are placed on a Beth-el (meaning "House of God," or "holy place") table that remains in the front of the sanctuary throughout the summer.

You may also choose to create a Beth-el in your home or yard. Sometimes a few brief words of explanation are offered, sometimes not.

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Abby Jackson  
Beth Olson

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Lanelle C. Fleming

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Mark Major

### WEBMASTER

Steve Nelson



## WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

### A MOMENT OF GRATITUDE

### OFFERTORY

*Everyone is invited to begin to gather their prayers—joys, sorrows, uncertainties—as we receive the gift of the offertory.*

### \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

### WE PRAY TOGETHER

#### SHARING OF JOYS, SORROWS, AND UNCERTAINTIES

##### PRAYER CARDS & ONLINE CHATS

Prayer cards are available in the narthex, on the small table as you enter the front of the sanctuary, and in the pew racks.

Pastor Shelly will collect the prayer cards and online chats and weave them into prayer for us all.

### RESPONSIVE ACCLAMATION

God is good. **All the time.**  
All the time. **God is good.**

### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### OUR LORD'S PRAYER (*saying Debts and Debtors*)

**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 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 have come to know God and the kingdom of God by many different names and images.*

*Please use the ones that speak from your heart today.*

*(e.g. Father, Mother, Creator, God...Kingdom, New Earth, New Realm, Kin-dom...)*

### HOLY COMMUNION

(First Sunday of Each Month: July 3, August 7, and Sept. 4)

### \*HYMN

### \*BLESSING

### \*POSTLUDE

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