

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

As a Congregational church, Meadowbrook traces its roots to the Pilgrims. We continue to explore our faith as a people free to interpret God's Word according to the dictates of our own conscience and in mutual support and love of one another. Not bound by any one creed or statement of faith, Congregationalists are gathered around a local church covenant in which we promise to serve alongside one another as followers of Jesus Christ.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE "In the Garden" arr. by Vicki Wright Dave Howland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Chris Richards

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of the Lord be with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

**Stand in body or spirit*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (read responsively) Emma Rogers

Leader: Creator God, we thank you for the world around us and the beauty seen in the bright sun, blue sky, moon and stars!

People: **Startle us, O Lord, with Your presence. Through the eyes and wonder of faith awake in us an appreciation for each new day!**

Leader: Let us delight in each other, and meet God where we are that we may grow and live in the Spirit.

People: **Creator Lord, into this hour we gather to praise You! Creator Lord, Savior and Sustainer, we praise Your name!.**

***GATHERING HYMN** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" #67

***INVOCATION** (in unison) Emma Rogers

Eternal God, surprise us this hour as we enter this new day. May we stand amid creation, knowing we are called to care for the world. Recreate in us, a respectful, thoughtful and truthful manner in being co-creators of all the good gifts You share. My we join as one body, walking together in praising Jesus, our Lord and Savior! Let us pray as we are taught:

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** (using 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.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" #11 (Sing twice)

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 8 | Page#492 OT Read in Unison

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "In The Quiet Hour" by David Lantz III Carys Rees-Baker

A TIME OF SILENCE & MORNING PRAYER Rev. Chris Richards

CALL FOR THE MORNING OFFERING Rev. Chris Richards

OFFERTORY "God Moves in a Mysterious Way" #53

***DOXOLOGY** (sing in unison) #563

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavn'ly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***OFFERING PRAYER** Rev. Chris Richards

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 96 | Page #550 OT Rev. Chris Richards

MESSAGE "The Holy Earth" Rev. Chris Richards

***SENDING HYMN** "In Christ There Is No East or West" #501

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Chris Richards

POSTLUDE "Shine, Jesus, Shine" arr. by Mark Hayes Dave Howland

MUSICIANS: Dave Howland and Carys Rees-Baker
TECHNICIAN: Sabrina Rosenstock | **LITURGIST:** Emma Rogers
GREETER: Yvonne Wilson

Please join us in Fellowship Hall following worship service for a time of refreshment and fellowship.