

ALL ARE WELCOME!
August 22, 2021

HERITAGE UNITED CHURCH

Our challenge is to be a caring people of God,
growing in faith, developing friendships,
witnessing through action and nurturing
hope for the future.



WE COME TOGETHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgment

Candle Lighting

Opening Hymn: Let Us Build a House **MV1**

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Time for All Ages: Deep Water Friends

Ministry of Music: How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place

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RESPONDING WITH LOVE

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Presentation and Blessing of Our Offering **MV191**

Prayer for Others and Our World

The Prayer of Jesus

Announcements

GO WITH GOD, GROW WITH GOD

Hymn: One More Step Along the World I Go **VU639**

Benediction

Closing Song: We Give Thanks

Postlude

Call to Worship:

It is good to be here

It is good to be here, to worship our Creator and Keeper.

It is good to be here.

It is good to be here, to celebrate the sacred as one people, gathered both in-person and online.

It is good to be here.

It is good to be here as spiritual seekers to wrestle with life's questions and explore the Divine Mystery.

It is good to be here.

Yes, my friends, it is so good to be here.

Opening Prayer:

Come with us, Loving God,
into the relaxation and warmth of summer.

Enable us to find the peace we seek.

In the joy of gathered friends,

we discover you.

In the reunion of family,

we experience you.

In inspiring encounters with strangers,

we realize you are with us.

In the fresh ideas that engage us,

we sense your leading.

You are with us, Loving God, in all the summer days.

**You will stay with us when the days shorten
and the leaves begin to fall. Amen.**

Psalm 84 (with sung response):

 **How lovely is your dwelling place,
O God of hosts, to me!**

How lovely is your dwelling place, God of hosts!
My soul longs, even faints for the courts of God;
**my heart and my flesh cry for joy to the
living God.**

Even the sparrow finds a house,
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her
young,
at your altars, God of hosts, my King, my God.

 **How lovely is your dwelling place,
O God of hosts, to me!**

Happy are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise.

**Happy are those whose strength is in your ,
who have set their heart on pilgrimage.**

Going through the valley of Baca
they find a spring from which also to drink,
the early rain also covers it with pools of water.

They go from strength to strength,
to appear before God in Zion.

 **How lovely is your dwelling place,
O God of hosts, to me!**

O God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob.

**Behold, O God, our shield, the look on the face
of your anointed.**

Truly a day in your courts is better than a
thousand elsewhere.

**I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of
my God**

than dwell in the tents of wickedness

For you, God, are a sun and shield,
you will give grace and honour.

No good thing will you withhold
from those who live the upright life.

O God of hosts,

happy are those that put their trust in you.

 **How lovely is your dwelling place,
O God of hosts, to me!**

Upcoming Services (in-person and online):

August 29 – NO service

Sept 5 – Communion Service

Sept 12 – Fall Kickoff Service

Sept. 19 – Regular worship service

Sept. 26 – NO service

The Prayer of Jesus:

**Our... Father/Mother/Creator/God 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, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Rev. Joy will be taking vacation August 29- Sept 4.

Resources Used in this Bulletin:

Opening Prayer in **The Gathering, Pentecost 1 2021**, by David Sparks, p. 65

Benediction in **The Gathering, Pentecost 1 2021**, by Jullie Hutton, p. 53

Prayer for Others in **Celebrate God's Presence** p. 67

**Bette Ann's Going
Away Party!**

**Tuesday August 31st @ 7 PM
110 McCarthy Blvd North**



BYOC & BYOB*

*Bring your own
chair and bring
your own beverage