

May 21, 2023

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship 10:30am

Faith Formation for all ages 10:50am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Karen Goering Hostetler, pianist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Sallie Page-Goertz

*HYMN VT 101

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 121

I lift my eyes to the hills; where does my help come from?

My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.

God will not let your foot slip, your keeper will not slumber;

the one who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

the LORD will keep you from all harm; God will watch over your life;

the LORD will watch over your coming and going both now & forevermore.

REFLECTION

Polly Carlson

HYMN VT 582

My Love Colors Outside the Lines

St. 1 quartet, St. 2 and 3 - congregation

WE RESPOND AND SHARE

FAITH FORMATION BOARD RECOGNITIONS

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

As we share our joys and concerns, please be mindful of those gathered remotely.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

Offertory: *Deep River*

Joel Bollinger, solo

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

*HYMN VT 440

Ask the Complicated Questions

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to stand

'Tis the season for graduations

*Hooray for graduates connected with RMC!
If we inadvertently left anyone off, please notify the church office.*

Preschool

Layla Smith is graduating from preschool on May 17th and will be heading to kindergarten in the fall.

High School

- *Joel Bollinger* is graduating from Shawnee Mission West High School and will be attending Baker University in the fall.
- *Elsie Fleming* is graduating from Paola High School and plans to major in Natural History at the University of Montana.
- *Yiyi Pauls* is graduating from Shawnee Mission East High School. She plans to continue her work as an Assistant Teacher at Johnson County Montessori Preschool while she works through a career exploration program specifically for blind Kansans with vocational rehabilitation services.
- *Caleb Stoltzfus* is graduating from Lincoln College Preparatory Academy and will be attending Eastern Mennonite University in the fall.

Bachelors

Cassandra Awad, daughter of Elias & Susan Awad, will graduate from Maryland Institute College of Art with a Bachelor of Fine Art degree in Photography and a minor in Book Arts. Cassandra is a niece of Brad & Nancy Grittman and a granddaughter of John & Pat Bertsche.

Masters

Rachel Unruh is graduating from Wichita State University in May with a Master of Education in Counseling. Rachel is the daughter of Mark & Deanna Unruh.

Doctorate

Jordan Smith earned his Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Education Leadership with a concentration in business from the University of the Cumberlands.

Certificates

Lizze Shelly completed her certification in the McKenzie Method of Mechanical Diagnosis and Therapy from The McKenzie Institute USA.

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