



VT 104 *Sing the Goodness*, Meg Harder

September 3, 2023

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship 10:30am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Janelle Arnett Campbell

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Duane Krehbiel, worship leader

*HYMN VT 76

Holy, Holy, Holy!

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER

Dave Schrag

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sonata

G. Gabrieli

Andy Toews, Mitch Kaufman, Dave Cooper, Ben Cooper

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 5:1-14

SERMON

Living in the Apocalypse

Steve Friesen

*HYMN VT 416

Beyond a Dying Sun

WE RESPOND AND SHARE

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

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

*HYMN VT 529

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to stand

A prayer for Labor Day

God, bless the work your people do throughout each working day,
the contributions that they make, the talents they display.
God, bless the work your people do, with minds and hands and hearts,
to benefit the common good, the sciences and arts.

For all who have no respite, God, from labor without ease,
for those for whom their work is filled with danger or disease,
for all who labor without gain, or have no rest this day,
for all who labor without hope, O God, we humbly pray.

We pray for those who cannot work, or seek for work in vain;
great God, we pray your mercy shall encourage them, again!
We pray for those whose work is hard, on body, spirit, soul,
the underpaid, underemployed, who fill a vital role.

As you achieved creation's work, then rested from your task,
God bless the work your people do, and call it good, we ask!
Grant unto each a day designed for worship, joy, and rest;
a Sabbath time of holiness, in which they may be blessed.

John A. Dalles—VT 528

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