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***Celebration of Worship***  
**August 11, 2024**

# Celebration of Worship

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10:30 am

## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

*Enter in Prayer, Worship with Gratitude, Go Forth to Serve*

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**Opening Voluntary**      *Light Dawns on a Weary World*      arr. David Cherwien  
Christopher Shaw, organ

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

**Opening Hymn**      *For the Fruit of All Creation*      Page 10

### \*Responsive Sentences

One: Be the neighbor who  
**All: Treats everyone with dignity**

One: Be the neighbor who  
**All: Stands up for justice**

One: Be the neighbor who  
**All: Loves unconditionally**

One: Be the neighbor who  
**All: Spreads kindness**

One: Be the neighbor who  
**All: Cares for the planet**

One: Be the neighbor who  
**All: Lends a helping hand**

## \*Response of Praise

*Summoned by the God*

NETTLETON

Sum-moned by the God who made us rich in our di-ver-si-ty, gath-ered in the name of  
Je-sus, rich-er still in u-ni-ty: Let us— bring the gifts that dif-fer and, in—  
splen-did, var-ied ways, sing a new church in-to be-ing, one in faith and love and praise.

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and rhythmic, with lyrics placed below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of lyrics, the second staff the second line, and the third staff the third line. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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## \*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

**God of compassion, of mercy, of tenderness, in Christ, you have shown us how to love one another, how to meet the pain of our neighbors with the care that is needed. And yet we still have so much to learn. Enable us to live open to new perspectives. To receive correction when we stray from love, and to grow through our interactions with one another. We know that the Kingdom is always beyond our perception, And still, we pray your prayer in hopes of bringing it to fruition... Our Father which 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.**

## Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbor?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half-dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.'

The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

## Welcoming Song

*Child of Blessing*

STUTT GART

(Let the children come forward.)

Child of bless - ing, child of prom - ise, love's cre - a - tion, love in deed!

Fresh from God, re - fresh our spir - its, in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.

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## A Moment with Our Children

Dr. Robu

## Prayer Concerns

## Pastoral Prayer

From Enfleshed

## Prayer Response

## Invitation to Offering

## Anthem

I Believe  
Plymouth Summer Choir  
(Join us! For more information, see Page 7)  
Jennifer King, solo

Mark Miller

I believe in the sun.  
I believe in the sun  
even when it's not shining.

I believe in love.  
I believe in love  
even when I don't feel it.

I believe in God.  
I believe in God  
even when God is silent.

## A Word From Our Youth

"Be The Neighbor"

## \*Closing Hymn

*Light Dawns on a Weary World*

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## \*Benediction

## Closing Voluntary

*For the Fruit of All Creation*  
Christopher Shaw, organ

arr. Frank Stoldt

\* Let all who are able please stand.

\*\*\* Ushers will seat late comers

Select liturgy adapted or taken from [Enfleshed.com](http://Enfleshed.com)

**North Entry Greeter** Nancy Roskam

**Communion Table Flowers** Nancy Roskam

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## **Men's Club Red Wheel Fundraiser**

Kick Off Starts Soon!  
September 1st through 30th.  
Product delivery will be October 9th.



**America's Tastiest**  
[www.redwheelfundraising.com](http://www.redwheelfundraising.com)

## **Plymouth Staff**

Rev. Dr. Karen Robu, Acting Senior Minister  
Dr. Henry Waters, Director of Music  
Christopher Shaw, Organist  
Julie Martin, Administrative Assistant  
Lindsay Miller, Sunday School Teacher  
Gracie Duffey, Youth Minister  
Tim Robu, Maintenance Engineer  
Erik Breckenridge, Video Tech  
John Palmer, Video Tech Assistant

# Progressive Pilgrim's Book Club

## Summer Reading Suggestions

The book club will not meet again until the end of the summer. For your summer reading we are suggesting the following three books. You can choose to read one, two, or all three! When we get together at the end of the summer we will discuss all three books. It will be interesting to see who reads what.

1. *West With Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge
2. *When I Fell From the Sky: The True Story of One Woman's Miraculous Survival* by Juliane Koepeke
3. *Under the Whispering Door* by T.J. Kune

## SUMMER CHOIR SCHEDULE – Y'all come!!

**Join us for our final Summer Choir Date  
on Sunday, August 25th**

How it works: come to the choir room at 10 am (directly below the sanctuary near the Commons) to rehearse a simple anthem that we will sing during the service that Sunday! I'll have music and a folder ready for you. You don't have to wear a robe and no processing – just come and sing!



## SPECIAL MUSIC

Are you interested in singing a solo or duet, or even playing something? We'd love for you to share your gift of music.

Email Henry at [musicdirector@plymouth-church.net](mailto:musicdirector@plymouth-church.net).



## Fine Arts Hallway Display

Bill Goffrier

Bill grew up in Wichita, first learning to paint from Betty Dickerson, Wilma Wethington, and Don Weddle. After earning a degree in fine art from WSU he obtained his master's degree in painting from Boston University in 1985.

Bill's current series of Wichita oils, "Authenti-City", started in 2014 after his return to Wichita and now numbers 331 paintings. The subjects include iconic, historic, unique and beautiful elements of the city. The College Hill neighborhood, including Plymouth Congregational Church, is particularly well represented. Most of the original paintings are already in private collections but are available as art prints directly from Goffrier Studios.

Much of his current work is by commission. His art is owned by private collectors internationally, and the Wichita Sedgwick County Historical Museum includes his work in their permanent collection. Follow Bill on Facebook, Instagram, and his website [goffrier.com](http://goffrier.com).

## Fine Arts Display Case

August/September — Linda Gebert

I have worked in and taught enameling and jewelry making for many years now, having begun my formal university training in painting and graphic design, before receiving a degree in Art History. Through workshops with prominent artists in the fields and persistent study and practice, I pursued expertise in silversmithing and enameling. I consequently taught enameling and silversmithing at the Wichita Center for the Arts for many years in the 1980's and '90's. I taught silversmithing at Wichita State University for 5 years before returning to the studio full-time. I currently enjoy working in the enamel/metals studio at Mark Arts with other enamelists and students, and in my home studio. Besides being bought by collectors, my enamel pieces and jewelry are in permanent collections at the Yale University Art Gallery, Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, Crocker Gallery in Sacramento, CA., Mark Arts, Wichita, KS and the Clay and Glass Museum, Toronto, Canada.

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Linda Gebert  
Display Case Artist

ENAMELIST + METAL ARTS  
ON DISPLAY + ON SALE



## **NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

### **TO ALL MEMBERS OF PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF WICHITA, KANSAS:**

Please take notice that the Church Cabinet of Plymouth Congregational Church of Wichita, Kansas has called for a special meeting of all church members. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and vote upon the recommendations of the Church Cabinet, Board of Trustees and Pulpit Committee relating to the call of a new Senior Minister. These recommendations are contained in a report dated July 30, 2024 and the report is supplemented by copies of the Call, Terms of the Call, the Transition Plan and the Focus Groups Summary (the “Report Documents”). Copies of the Report Documents will be sent to Church members via email prior to the meeting date, and copies thereof will also be available for inspection in the Church office.

This meeting will be held on **Sunday, August 18, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.** in the Sanctuary at Plymouth Congregational Church, 202 N. Clifton, Wichita, Kansas.

DATED this 7th day of August, 2024.

Richard A. Euson  
Church Clerk

## For the Fruit of All Creation

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.  
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.  
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are  
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -  
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -

sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.  
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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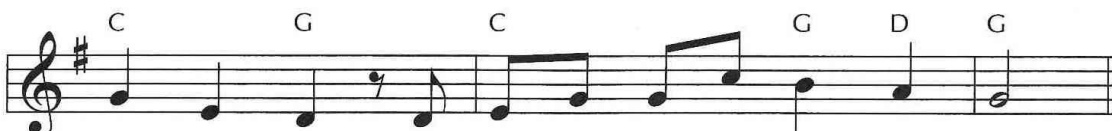
## Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to  
 2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find  
 3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a  
 bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a  
 lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.  
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.  
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.

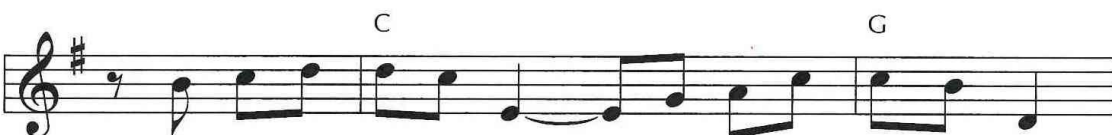
*Refrain*



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

# August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>11</b>  10:30am Sunday Worship	<b>12</b>  2pm Prairie Wind Folk Dancers	<b>13</b>  5:30pm Growth Steering	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>  9am Fine Arts  10:30am Sunday Worship  11:30 Special Meeting  2 pm Bunny TNT	<b>19</b>  2pm Prairie Wind Folk Dancers  <span style="color: red;"><b>North Parking lot will be                      CLOSED for re-striping.                      On the 19th and 20th</b></span>	<b>20</b>  5:30pm Investment Club	<b>21</b>  7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>  10:30am Sunday <b>Worship</b>	<b>26</b>  2pm Prairie Wind Folk Dancers  5:30 pm Deacon's Meeting	<b>27</b>  5:30 pm Trustees Meeting	<b>28</b>  7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

**Please join us for worship next Sunday, August 18th  
 Dr. Robu will be preaching.**

## The Plymouth Covenant

Believing in Jesus Christ, the Interpreter of God to humankind, we accept His teachings as the guiding principles of our lives and consecrate ourselves and our church to their fulfillment. We therefore join in covenant, one with another, to worship, work, and serve together that we may express through our Church and our individual lives the love and faith taught by Jesus Christ.