

Our ushers this morning are Dwight and Ann Decker
Our soloists this morning are Camille Hodgkins & Lauren Donadio
Our coffee fellowship host is Sue Gustavsen

**"There is so much loss,
so much that one day was
there and is now ashes."** EST

Rev. Dr. David Popham, Hawaii Conference Minister



Hawaii Wildfire relief efforts: The United Church of Christ is issuing a special appeal to provide essential items and long-term support to those impacted by wildfires across Hawaii. UCC Disaster donations specifically to aid in Hawaii, can be made by accessing the QR code above. Thank you for thinking of others in need today and always.

Worship Notes.

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Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Priscilla Lawrence

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United Church of Christ
5 Summer Street, Lynnfield, Massachusetts

August 27, 2023

10:00 am

WE GATHER

Silent Prayer of Preparation (Psalm 84:20)

My soul longs for you, O God. My heart sings for joy in you. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Prelude

Greeting, Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship (based on Psalm 124)

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and earth.

People: Blessed be the Lord, who is on our side and rescues us from any danger.

Minister: Let us worship God together!

Opening Hymn

**I sing the Mighty Power of God* #12

*Unison Prayer of Invocation

We turn to you, in prayer, O Lord, because we know and trust that it will make a difference in our lives. We turn to you with our sorrows and our joys, our celebrations and our disappointments. We present it all to you, in worship, asking you to fill us with your presence. Remind us you are here, right with us. In the name of Jesus, we pray.

* The Lord's Prayer

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.

Anthem

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Call to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Camille Hodgkins & Lauren Donadio

Tune: Old 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all creatures here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Living God, whom we adore

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

Generous and gracious God, you call us to pray for one another, but also to help each other. We offer these gifts to you, that they may join with others, as we seek first your kingdom, of justice and peace, for all people. Amen

Hymn

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

#23

Scripture Reading

Romans 11:25-36 (pg. 1032)

Jim Marshall

Response

Jim: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"There's Plenty More Beyond"

Rev. Dr. Priscilla Lawrence

Closing Hymn

*Congregation's Choice

Blessing and Benediction

Postlude