

**Message: “Bringing Wellness to the Sick”**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (see insert)**

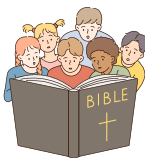
**\*Hymn Request**

**Benediction: Rev. Tom Bentley**

**Postlude**

**Our ushers today are Annmarie Pendola and Jim Wilkie.**

**Please join us for Coffee Hour hosted by Annmarie Pendola.**



**Children are welcomed to join Christine Marshall in Room 14 for Summer Sunday School fun activities!**

**Christmas in July Service - July 21st!**  
**Please consider bringing new, unwrapped toys & pajamas to the service to benefit Crayons to Cradles.**



**Worship Notes.**

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5 Summer Street, Lynnfield, Massachusetts

**Communion Sunday**

**July 7, 2024 10:00 am**

## \*Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Call to Worship

Dwight Decker

Leader: We give thanks for the wonderful gift of awareness that allows us to know the presence of a Creative Spirit.

**People: Yes, we join together in giving our thanks.**

Leader: For everything we have.

**People: For everything we see.**

Leader: For everything we do.

**Leader and People: For everyone we love and everyone who loves us we give thanks and celebrate. Praise be to God the source of all.**

#### Opening Prayer (*in unison*)

Dwight Decker

Lord, we gather here this morning with lives that are filled with activity and movement. We rush from one thing to another as though we are going to run out of time to accomplish everything. Help us to let go of the hectic times and the stresses and find our rest in you. Relax our spirits and refresh our souls. Remind us that there will always be things to do and places to go, but that we need the rest of spirit that you provide. AMEN.

#### The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Dwight Decker

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.

#### \*Opening Hymn

“Like a Tree Beside the Waters”

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#### New Testament Reading

Dwight Decker

##### Ephesians 1:11-14

*The Message*

It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is

working out in everything and everyone.

It's in Christ that you, once you heard the truth and believed it (this Message of your salvation), found yourselves home free—signed, sealed, and delivered by the Holy Spirit. This down payment from God is the first installment on what's coming, a reminder that we'll get everything God has planned for us, a praising and glorious life.

#### Call to Offering

#### Offertory

#### \*Hymn of Praise

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:

Praise Christ, all creatures here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Living god, who we adore.

#### Prayer of Dedication

#### Joys and Concerns

#### Pastoral Prayer

#### Gospel Reading

Dwight Decker

##### Mark 6:7-13

*The Message*

Jesus called the Twelve to him, and sent them out in pairs. He gave them authority and power to deal with the evil opposition. He sent them off with these instructions:

“Don't think you need a lot of extra equipment for this. You are the equipment. No special appeals for funds. Keep it simple.

“And no luxury inns. Get a modest place and be content there until you leave.

“If you're not welcomed, not listened to, quietly withdraw. Don't make a scene. Shrug your shoulders and be on your way.”

Then they were on the road. They preached with joyful urgency that life can be radically different; right and left they sent the demons packing; they brought wellness to the sick, anointing their bodies, healing their spirits.