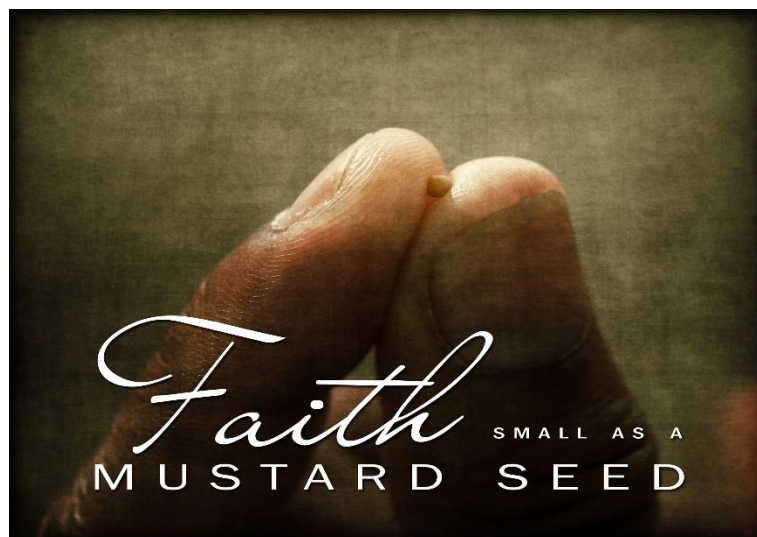


Tabernacle United Methodist Church



Worship Guide August 16th 2026

Prelude
“Prelude in C minor”

Mary Lou
Frederic Chopin

Welcome and Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP

Family of God, we gather today to unite our voices and our lives in praise to God!

How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

We gather to celebrate how God binds us together to live, work, play, and rest as the Body of Christ!

How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

We gather to remember how God has worked through us to share Christ’s love with one another and our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

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Family of God, today we come as diverse and unique members of the Body of Christ to learn and grow not in uniformity but in unity to love God, self, neighbor, and all creation.

How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity! Thanks be to God! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, 5/2006

Opening Hymn # 2177 “Wounded World That Cries for Healing”

OPENING PRAYER

O God, we yearn to be a community of believers, united in your Spirit. And yet we are fraught with divisions: denominational, political, theological. We are weighed down by tensions and the things that break us apart. Forgive us, great God, for this great sin.

Help us to learn to live in community together, loving one another, in spite of our differences, and respecting one another in everything that we do and say. Help us to be as you call us, one in heart and mind. Only through the grace of your son, Jesus Christ, can we achieve this. Amen.

Posted on Waiting for Water: Liturgy for The Easter Journey 2013

First Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Nocturne”

Mary Lou
by Chopin

CHILDREN’S TIME: Getting Along

Second Hymn #383 “This is a Day of New Beginnings”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

“Surely the Presence”

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
I can feel God’s mighty power and God’s grace.
I can hear the brush of Angel’s wings,
I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

Ongoing Prayers : David G, Tiernan K, Evy S, Vanessa W, Brian T.
Dan K.

Today’s prayer requests

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 our daily bread, and forgive our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, amen.

OFFERING and DOXOLOGY

“A New Day”

Mary Lou
by William Joseph

Gospel Reading: Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

Sermon : So How Scrappy Are We?

Closing Hymn #2175 “Together We Serve”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

Mary Lou Muratori

arr. V.T. Courtney



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