



# Called to Freedom

## *The Faith Journey*

DISCOVER HOW GOD'S ENDURING GRACE GUIDES  
US THROUGH EVERY SEASON OF LIFE.

BRING YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS TO  
WORSHIP, REFLECT, GROW.

## Waterloo First United Methodist Church

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Rev. Dr. Hojin Shin, *Pastor*

*The Mission of Waterloo First United Methodist Church is to be a church of people who live as disciples of Jesus Christ by providing a place for spiritual growth in a caring, inviting community.*

# August 24, 2025

## Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

*Welcome! We are happy to have you with us today!*

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist Jarred Crouch

*Please sign and pass the Ritual of Friendship.*

### \*GREETING (With One Another)

Rev. Hojin Shin

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!

Response: And also with you!

### CENTERING WORDS Luke 13:12

When he saw her, Jesus called her to him and said, “Woman, you are set free from your sickness.”

### PRELUDE

*Partita on “Lobe den Herren”*

Arr. Freudenburg

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

On the Sabbath, Jesus set a woman free.

**Today, He still brings freedom to our lives.**

No law, no fear, no power can bind us.

**Christ has broken the chains!**

**All: We will worship our Liberator and King.**

### \*OPENING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, You saw the bent-over woman and called her to stand tall. You see us, too, and speak freedom into our lives. We thank You for Your compassion, Your power, and Your love on Waterloo First. As we worship, make us instruments of Your liberating work in the world. Amen.

<b>*OPENING HYMNS</b>	<i>“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”</i>	<b>No. 89</b>
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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## Joys and Concerns

## Pastoral Prayer

## The Lord's Prayer

No. 895

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

## Luke 13:10-17

**\*HYMN**

## “Gather Us In”

**No. 2236**

## SERMON

*“The Faith Journey– Called to Freedom”*

**Rev. Hojin Shin**

## OFFERING

## Offertory

## *"I Sing the Almighty Power of God"*

Arr. Boyd

## Doxology

No. 94

## Offertory Prayer

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

## “My Hope Is Built”

No. 368

**\*BENEDICTION**

## POSTUDE

## “Concerto in A-minor”

## Vivaldi - Bach

**Susan Feltman, guest organist**

\*Please stand if you are able

*We are happy you are with us today!!*  
*Please sign the **attendance registration** pad located in the pew racks.*

**Altar Flowers**

***Today's altar flowers are given by Larry, Pam, Emma, Tom, and Mary  
In loving memory of Linda Hickman on the one year anniversary of her death.***

If you would like to use a **large print hymnal**,  
or a **hearing assistance device** please ask an usher for one.

- \* Our prayer chain is available to any who have needs or concerns. We will pray with you and for you. Fill out a prayer request form located in the pew or contact the church office at 235-7088. All prayer requests will be sent out by email.
- \* Our Cry Room, Nursery, and a Rest Room are all located off the hallway in the back of the sanctuary.
- \* The service is recorded each week and is available to anyone who requests it. If you know of someone who is unable to attend services and would like to receive a DVD or an audio CD, please contact the church office, 235-7088.
- \* Today's service is being live streamed on Facebook.
- \* Children's Bulletins are available in the sanctuary on a table by the door in the front.  
Children's packets are available in bags and the back of the sanctuary.

<b>Ministers</b>	Every Member
<b>Director of Music</b>	Emily Forssberg
<b>Organist</b>	Dr. Linda Sharp DMA, MDiv
<b>Pianist</b>	Dr. John Roberts, Ed. D.
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