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**Welcome to the Cheshire United Methodist Church.**

**All are welcome (all means all)!**

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# MOTHER'S DAY

MAY 10, 2026

10:00 A. M.

PRELUDE

Mara Weed

JUBILATE BELL RINGERS

“Be Thou My Vision”

OPENING PRAYER

WORDS OF WELCOME

Dee Popolizio

◆CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: God does not leave us in silence or solitude.

**People: God comes near, dwelling with us and within us.**

Leader: When we feel uncertain or alone,

**People: the Spirit of truth remains with us.**

Leader: Jesus calls us not into fear, but into love.

**People: We come to live in that love and reflect it in our lives.**

**All: Let us worship the God who is present with us now.**

◆OPENING HYMN #715

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

◆PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Living God, We praise you for your constant presence. When we fear being left behind, you draw near. Through your Spirit, you walk beside us and dwell within us, guiding us into truth, strengthening us in love, and reminding us that we are never alone. You do not abandon; you abide. You are not distant, but present, not silent, but speaking life into us. Through Jesus Christ, you have made your home with us and woven your presence into our lives. Receive our praise today. Open our hearts to recognize your nearness, to trust your guidance, and to live in your love. We worship you: God with us, God within us, God who remains. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON (p. 533 OT)

Psalm 115 (responsive)

◆THE GOSPEL LESSON (p. 103 NT)

John 14:15-21 (responsive)

*(ushers collect green prayer cards)*

SERMON

“A MOTHER IN OTHERS”

DEE POPOLIZIO

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Who Is the One We Love the Most”

Carl Schalk

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

◆Doxology #95, Prayer of Dedication and Altar Call

◆CLOSING HYMN #152

“I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

◆THE BENEDICTION

◆PASSING OF THE PEACE

◆Stand, if you are able

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*Usher:* Linda Pisani

*Ambassador:* Jim Jackson

*Fellowship:* Holly Carey

*Member Outreach:* Renee Poet

*Nursery:* Derek Larusso, Barbara Heafy

*Sunday School:* Gerry Connelly, Jerry Howard

*Visual Arts Creator:* Rhonda Pattberg

*Visual Arts Engineer:* Mark Gilleylen

*Livestream Tech:* Natalie Missakian

*Counters:* Elaine Lau, Joe Driscoll

*Prayer Cards:* Kathy Esposito

*Lector:* Dee Popolizio

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## Announcements

Please give a warm welcome to **Dee Popolizio** who is filling in at the pulpit this morning.

**Promise Kids** will be meeting the Sunday School teachers in the Narthex right at the beginning of worship.

The **Finance Committee** will be meeting on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Church Council** will be meeting on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

# *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 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.

## *Welcome!*

We are a Welcoming and Reconciling congregation. Rooted in God's love, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person and seek to live Christ's call to compassion, justice, healing, and wholeness. We welcome people of all races, ages, genders, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, nationalities, abilities, family structures, and social or economic backgrounds into the full life and leadership of the church. We believe we can love alike even when we do not think alike, and we invite all to share in worship, ministry, fellowship, and the sacraments as we grow together in faith and love.

## *Who We Are . . .*

We are a church family that welcomes all, regardless of political views or Christian perspectives, because we belong to the one family of God. Though we may not always agree, we commit to loving, forgiving, honoring our differences, and serving together as we live out the Gospel of God's love revealed in Jesus Christ. Guided by Micah 6:8, we strive to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.