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CHESHIRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcome to the Cheshire United Methodist Church.
All are welcome (all means all)!

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 14, 2026

10:00 A. M.

PRELUDE

Mara Weed

OPENING PRAYER

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Pastor

◆CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Come, people of God, for Christ calls us together.

People: We come seeking the presence of the One who heals and restores.

Leader: Jesus looked upon the crowds with compassion and love.

People: Open our eyes to see our neighbors as Christ sees them.

Leader: The harvest is plentiful and God continues to call workers into the field.

People: Here we are, Lord. Teach us to follow and serve.

Leader: Let us worship God with grateful hearts.

All: We come to praise God, who calls, equips, and sends us in love.

◆OPENING HYMN #344

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

◆PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious and loving God, We thank you for the compassion of Jesus Christ, who sees us fully, loves us deeply, and meets us in our need. When we are weary, you strengthen us; when we are lost, you guide us; when we are burdened, you draw near with grace and mercy. We thank you for calling ordinary people into your extraordinary work. Through your Spirit, you equip us to share the love, hope, and healing we have freely received. Open our eyes to see our neighbors as you see them, and open our hearts to serve with compassion. For the gift of your church, the people who have nurtured our faith, and the signs of your kingdom among us, we give you thanks and praise. Receive our gratitude, and send us forth as bearers of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN’S HYMN

“Love Canon”

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN & THE LORD’S PRAYER

“Jesus Loves Me”

(ushers collect green prayer cards)

THE FIRST LESSON (p. 522 OT)

Psalm 100 (responsive)

◆THE GOSPEL LESSON (p. 9 NT)

Matthew 9:34-10:8 (responsive)

SERMON

“WHAT IF WE ARE THE ANSWER?”

CHORAL ANTHEM

“God, You Made All Things for Singing”

John Ferguson

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

◆Doxology #95, Prayer of Dedication and Altar Call

◆CLOSING HYMN #664

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

◆THE BENEDICTION

◆PASSING OF THE PEACE

◆Stand, if you are able

Usher: Sergio Deganis

Ambassador: Jim Jackson

Fellowship: Rose Kim

Member Outreach: Elizabeth Thomas

Nursery: Sue Trumbo, Sally LaRusso

Sunday School: Gerry Connelly, Jerry Howard

Visual Arts Creator: Mara Weed

Visual Arts Engineer: Mark Gilleylen

Livestream Tech: Steve Trumbo

Counters: Carol Hotz, Elaine Lau

Prayer Cards: Kathy Esposito

Lector: Carolyn Kelly

Announcements

The **altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God by The Sullivan Family in honor of Stella’s 8th birthday on June 11th.

The **Booklettes** will be meeting on Tuesday, June 16th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Faithful Thomas Room.

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.