



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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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 20, 2025

10:00 A. M.

PRELUDE

Mara Weed

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Pastor

MAKING OF THE PEACE

♦ CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Come, weary ones, with your many tasks and to-do lists.

People: We come to the feet of Jesus, where stillness welcomes us.

Leader: Come, anxious hearts, carrying burdens seen and unseen.

People: We come to the presence of Christ, who speaks peace over our distractions.

Leader: Come, seeking what truly matters.

All: We come to worship the One who invites us to choose the better part—His presence, His word, His love.

♦ OPENING HYMN #349

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

♦ PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Loving God, You are the center in our chaos, the calm in our storm. We praise You for inviting us not only to serve You, but to *sit with You*—to listen, to rest, and to be renewed in Your presence. You are not impressed by our busyness, but moved by our attentiveness. You welcome us with grace, whether we arrive from the kitchen or the quiet room. Shape us to choose the better part—to dwell in You, to delight in You, and to worship You with undivided hearts. In the name of Jesus, our peace and our portion, we pray. Amen.

♦ CHILDREN’S HYMN #462 (v. 1)

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN & THE LORD’S PRAYER

“Jesus Loves Me”

(ushers collect green prayer cards)

FIRST LESSON (p. 493 OT)

Psalm 52

♦ GOSPEL LESSON (p. 67 NT)

Luke 10:38-42

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“THE BETTER PART? THE DOERS AND THE DWELLERS”

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Here I Am, Lord”

Carolyn Kelly, Kellie Moran

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

◆Doxology #95, Prayer of Dedication and Altar Call

◆CLOSING HYMN #451

“Be Thou My Vision”

◆THE BENEDICTION

◆PASSING OF THE PEACE

Usher: Holly Carey

Ambassador: Jim Jackson

Nursery: Barb Heafy

Member Outreach: Renee Poet

Lector: Dee Popolizio

Fellowship: Dee Popolizio and Jim Jackson

Visual Arts Creator: Fabio Diones

Visual Arts Engineer: Mark Gilleylen

Livestream Tech: Steve Trumbo

Counters: Carol Hotz, Carl Strand

Prayer Cards: Kathy Esposito

Announcements

Something New will meet on Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

SPPR will meet on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

To aid our **live streaming** efforts, please be sure your phone is off or on airplane mode.

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!

This is a Welcoming, Reconciling congregation. We embrace diversity and affirm the dignity and worth of every person because we are all created by a loving God. We seek to live Christ's call for compassion, justice, healing and wholeness. Therefore, we welcome into our faith community persons of every race, gender, age, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnicity, marital status, mental and physical ability, economic and social position, gender identity and expression, level of education and family structure. We believe we can all love alike, even if we don't think alike. We invite all to share in the life, leadership, lay and ordained ministry, worship and sacraments, the covenant of committed love in holy matrimony, fellowship, blessings and joys of our congregation as we seek to grow together in faith and love.

Who We Are . . .

We are a church family that welcomes everyone through our doors no matter the political affiliation, no matter which forms of Christian thought you hold, no matter what - you are welcome here because we are all members of the family of God.

Like other families, we may not always agree on everything, but we are called to love one another enough to forgive one another, respect our differences, and work and minister together as we spread and live out the Gospel message of God's love offered to this world in the form of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and Savior.

To this end, we aspire to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8).