

Peace UCC  
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**Prelude** "Be Now My Vision" Setting by Paul Manz  
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**Welcome**

**Opening Words** United Methodist Clergywomen, USA  
Like the sun that is far away and yet close at hand to warm us, so God's spirit is ever present and around us.  
Come Creator into our lives.  
We live and move and have our very being in you.  
Open now the windows of our souls. Amen

**Opening Response** "Make Us One" Carol Cymbala

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Make us one God, make us one; Ho - ly Spir - it, make us  
one. Let your love flow so the world will know we are  
one in you. Make us you.

**Prayer of Invocation** Paul B. Robinson  
**We pray that you, O God, will bring into our hearts and minds, our plans and actions, our hopes and prayers, a greater love for all people. Break the silence of prejudice, the isolation of ignorance, the false sense of security in earthly fortresses, and erase the fear that prevents communication. Help us to come home to your love, by becoming one family on this planet we all call home. Amen.**

**The Witness of Music** Deja Pierre-Foster  
"Pan's Labyrinth Lullaby" Javier Navarrett

**Reading:**

**Colossians 3:12-17**

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Holy One has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of Jesus, giving thanks to God through him.

**For the wisdom contained in these holy words we give thanks. Amen**

Sermon Rev. Wendy Bruner

Hymn "Be Now My Vision" Tune" Slane



Be now my\_\_\_ vi - sion, O God of my heart;  
Be now my\_\_\_ wis - dom, and be my true word;  
Rich - es I\_\_\_ need not, nor life's emp - ty praise,  
Sov - ereign of\_\_\_ heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



noth - ing sur - pass - es the love you im - part  
ev - er with - in me, my soul is as - sured;  
you, my in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
may I reach heaven's joys O bright heav - en's Sun!



You my\_\_\_ best\_\_\_ thought, by day or by night,\_\_\_\_\_  
Cre - a - tor and\_\_\_ Mak - er, you are both to me,\_\_\_\_\_  
You and\_\_\_ you\_\_\_ on - ly are first in my heart,\_\_\_\_\_  
Heart of\_\_\_ my\_\_\_ own heart, what - ev - er be fall,\_\_\_\_\_  
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wak - ing or sleep - ing, your\_\_\_ pres - ence my light.  
now and for - ev - er your\_\_\_ child will I be.  
great God, my trea - sure, may\_\_\_ we ne - ver part.  
still be my vi - sion, O\_\_\_ Rul - er of all.

### Joys and Concerns

#### Prayer

Creator, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kin-dom come, your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors,  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kin-dom, and the power,  
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

### How Shall We Join God's Work in the World

Gracious God, we give thanks and ask your blessings on the many and diverse gifts we bring to join you in your work in the world.

## **Benediction**

**Postlude** "Unto God Be the Glory" Gilbert Martin  
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