



September 14, 2025
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Music

9:30 Choral Introit
11:00 Blessed Be Your Name

Welcome and Announcements

9:30 Donna Eichelberger
11:00 Alex Ingram

***Call to Worship**

adapted from The Book of Belonging

It was as if God popped the top off God's imagination,

And whatever danced to life was loved, delighted in, and named.

The sun the moon, stars and planets

Good! Good! Good!

Flopping fish to fill the seas! Flapping birds to fill the skies!

Good! Good! Good!

Flocks and herds to fill the land!

Swarming, and teeming, spilling and tumbling!

Good! Good! Good!

And at last God created humankind to till the ground and keep it.

And Whoa! It was Very Good!

***Music Selection**

9:30 For the Beauty of the Earth (vs 1-4) **UMH 92**
11:00 What A Beautiful Name

Prayer of Confession

God created the world and called it Good. And God created humanity to live in harmony with one another, with the earth, and with God. But we know that something has gone wrong. Our world is out of order. Sin and brokenness prevails. Let us confess our complicity with this fallen world.

**Merciful God,
We confess that we have rarely known a world without sin. We have failed to care for the earth. We have failed to make peace with our neighbors. And we struggle to stay connected to you. Restore to us the dream of the Garden of Eden. Work in us a new creation that we might live in harmony once again. *Silent Prayer***

Hear the good news...in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven
Thanks be to God!

A Reading from the Book of Belonging Chapter 2 (P. 33)

Reading from Scripture Genesis 3: 1-11, 22-24 9:30 Rene Ciampaglia
11:00 Jodi Phillips

Sermon Creation Goes Awry Todd Humphrey

Music Selection 9:30 Think About His Love (Chancel Choir)
11:00 God You're So Good

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Offering & *Offertory Praise
9:30 Through It All (x2) **UMH 507** / Doxology **UMH 95**
11:00 (Reprise) God You're So Good

***Prayer of Dedication**

Gracious God, we offer you the fruits of our labor and we pray that they would restore harmony to the world. Please work through these gifts and the ministry of this church, so that the world might see renewal. Amen.

***Music Selection** 9:30 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty **UMH 139**
11:00 This Little Light of Mine

***Benediction** 9:30 Choral Benediction

Welcome

A Warm Welcome to Our Guests

If this is your first visit to Mt. Carmel, we are grateful to have you. We hope that you feel moved by the Spirit, and look forward to greeting you. You're invited to fill out a blue Connection Card to stay in touch. All beginnings are hard – may patience and grace prevail.

Opportunities for Children Today

Nursery Care for Infants – Preschool aged children in a 1st floor classroom with Ms. Alison at both 9:30 & 11.

9:30: Sunday School for preschool - elementary 1st floor large classroom
Middle and High School – 3rd floor Loft

11:00: Children will share a children's moment with the pastor and then will be dismissed to Children's Church. They will return to the sanctuary for a final song.

Sunday School Classes Today

9:30am and 10:45am: Adults, 1st Floor Conference Room

Weekly Announcements

Pastor Bonnie is away today, she will be back in the office Monday and Tuesday of this week, and will be back in worship next Sunday. Many thanks to our lay servant, **Todd Humphrey** for preaching this morning!

The Book of Belonging – This wonderful resource will be our guide for the next 40-some weeks at Mt Carmel. The book features 42 Bible stories and is a beautiful resource for “kind and contemplative kids” *and adults!* We invite each family to get a copy (and bring it back every Sunday) for a suggested donation of \$15. You can put cash or check in the offering plate or use the Vanco giving on the church website. Designate your donation “Book of Belonging.”

LUCY Group | Monday's | 9:30am

All women are invited to join this weekly group that meets each Monday in the third-floor loft.

United Methodist Men | September 20 | 8am

All men are invited to come to the second-floor Great Room for fellowship, breakfast, and a devotion.

HOPE Preschool 15th Year Celebration | September 20 | 11am-1pm

We are thrilled to celebrate the 15th anniversary of HOPE Community Preschool. Everyone is invited to come and help us celebrate!

Worship and Picnic at Pinecliff Park | September 28

On September 28, we will have a short chapel service at 9:30 at Mt Carmel. Then, we will have a combined worship service at 11am at Pinecliff Park, followed by a picnic lunch. You are invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Monthly Missions

Linton Shelter: baby wipes, diapers (all sizes), diaper genie refills

Spring Ridge Elementary School: deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, ethnic hair care products (gels, oils, conditioner, conditioning cream)

All donations can be placed in the bins under the coat rack across from the water fountains on the first floor.

Last Week's Numbers Attendance: 78 Streaming: 29

Giving: General Fund: 7594.96 Building Fund: 200.69

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