

## CELEBRATION AND WORSHIP

EAGLE GROVE AND GOLDFIELD UMC

ORDINARY 17

JULY 24, 2022

### GATHERING

**WELCOME** Welcome to worship this morning. Both congregations have offering plates in the back of their sanctuaries; Eagle Grove also has one at the stairwell by the office. Your support of both expenses as well as giving to missions is appreciated. It's one way to be the church.

Cards to share your joys and concerns are also available in the back of the sanctuary. You can place them in the offering plates and they'll be picked up. There's an option on them to have concerns kept private and/or shared with a prayer chain, or to announce. We're going to try this in lieu of passing a microphone, or just shouting them out.

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

### CENTERING PRAYER

### PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome to worship this day.

**We have come seeking peace and hope.**

This is the house of the Lord. In it you will find what you seek.

**Help us to open our hearts to God's words and will for us.**

Ask for God's help - it will be given to you.

**Praise be to God who loves and cares for us. AMEN.** <sup>1</sup>

#### \*OPENING HYMN

*Loving Spirit*

#2123

### MORNING PRAYER

**It has been a difficult week. Things have happened for which we were not prepared. We have not responded to difficulties with love, but rather with impatience. We have turned our backs on others in need, placing our creature comforts first. We have been stressed, pulled, pushed, tossed.**

**Give us peace, Gracious Lord. Help us to slow down so that we can receive your healing word of love. Remind us that we stand in need of forgiveness, and then having received such love, we are to love and serve others. Teach us to pray for courage and strength; teach us how to be good disciples for you. Hear us, O Lord.**

*Time of Silence*

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Even when things seem dark, God is with us. God's love is powerful enough to overcome any darkness that we encounter. Remember how much love has been given for you and rejoice! **AMEN.**<sup>1</sup>

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

### TIME FOR THE YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

#### SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Luke 1:1-13

#### REFLECTION ON THE WORDS

Pastor Alaire

#### TIME OF PRAYER

**LORD'S PRAYER** *sung together*

#271

#### DEDICATION OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

Before you, O God, we offer our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service. We bring our gifts before you in praise and thanksgiving for your many blessings. May our offerings continue the transforming work of your Spirit in and through our congregation. Amen.

#### SUNG RESPONSE

*Doxology*

#95

### SENDING FORTH

#### \*HYMN AS WE GO TO SERVE

*Seek Ye First*

#405

#### WE GO INTO THE WORLD

#### BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

#### \*THE LIGHT LEADS US

*Shalom to You*

#666

#### \*POSTLUDE

**††** *We follow the light of Christ into the world to serve* **††**

\* please stand in body or spirit, as you are able.

<sup>1</sup>Ministry Matters

### COMING UP

The Eagle Grove church office is open **Tuesdays, 10-11:30am**. Anyone is welcome to drop by. Pastor can meet with you at other times, by appointment. Receiving your prayer cards with joys and concerns is really helpful. Thanks!

Newsletter deadline is Monday (tomorrow), via email please to [egumc@goldfieldaccess.net](mailto:egumc@goldfieldaccess.net).

**Sundays– 9:30am** Worship @ Eagle Grove UMC

**11am** Worship @ Goldfield UMC

**Reminder** – School supplies are on sale! Great time to fill Ingathering school kits. List of items requested is by the sample kit. Donations accepted – we have shoppers!!!

**Monday, August 1, 7-9pm** Pool Party at EG Aquatic Center! Friends welcome.  
Sponsored by Goldfield Presbyterian and Goldfield and Eagle Grove UMCs.

**Wednesday, August 3, 6:30pm** Concert at Eagle Grove UMC. Brent Vernon and his buddy Sam! Take a little time for yourself and your family. Love offering accepted.

**Thursday, August 11, 11am-1pm** Salad luncheon hosted by Eagle Grove Women of Faith. Funds used for their mission and outreach projects. \$10/person – Great food!