

**EAGLE GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**CELEBRATION AND WORSHIP** **JUNE 13, 2021**

**GATHERING MUSIC**                      **WELCOME**                      **ANNOUNCEMENTS**                      **CENTERING PRAYER**

**PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

This is the day that the Lord has made!

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

This is a day of new beginnings!

**This is a time for growing into new disciples for Jesus.**

Let us prepare ourselves for worship.

**Let us be prepared for service to God.** <sup>1</sup>

**OPENING HYMN**

*For the Fruits of This Creation*

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**TIME OF PRAYER**

Lord, in this season of growth, open our hearts to grow in your love. Help us to truly trust in your creative process in our lives. We look around and we see the beauty of your world, the blossoming flowers and plants, the growth of children, the joy of celebrations of graduation and marriage, of receiving new life. And we also see the sadness and sorrow that has invaded the world when systems of injustice and hatred lay claim to people's lives. Prepare us, O Lord, to become ambassadors of peace and hope. Help us to place our trust in you, so that when we are serving others, they may come to know your abiding love and power. Give us courage and great joy as we serve you. We pray together as Jesus taught: Our Father... AMEN

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE DAY**

**REFLECTION**

**DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES.**

**HYMN**

*Hymn of Promise*

#707

**SENDING FORTH**

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

✠✠✠ *We follow the Light of Christ into the World* ✠✠✠

<sup>1</sup>Nancy Townley

## **FOR THE FRUITS OF THIS CREATION**

For the fruits of this creation, thanks be to God;  
for good gifts to every nation, thanks be to God;  
for the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth  
    while we are sleeping,  
future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done;  
in the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done;  
in our world-wide task of caring for  
    the hungry and despairing,  
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God;  
for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God;  
for the wonders that astound us,  
    for the truths that still confound us,  
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

## **HYMN OF PROMISE**

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise, butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;  
there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

We are planning to resume fellowship coffee after worship next Sunday. Please talk to Sharon Seibert if you can help get this going again.

Can you serve as an usher or greeter once a month or so? List is on the back table. Please leave your name