# August 20, 2023



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### "God, Our Mother"

Isaiah 66:12-13; Hosea 13:5-8a; Luke 13:34 Rev. Betsy Wooster

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Also streaming live at YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch



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#### **Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost**

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude

Jesus, Lead Thou On (P. Manz)

Marcia Snavely, organ

**Welcome and Announcements** 

Rev. Betsy Wooster

Introit

Order My Steps (Glen Burleigh)

Nancy Isham, Kate Breen, and Anne Layne; trio; Marcia Snavely, piano

\* Call to Worship (responsive)

Zach LeFeber

One: O God, because you are the source of all life and love and being,

All: We call you Creator.

One: Because our Savior, Jesus Christ, your child, knew you intimately and spoke of you so,

All: We call you Father.

One: Because you nurture and protect us,

All: We call you Mother.

One: Because you hold us up and give us strength and courage,

All: We call you Sustainer.

One: Because we have known you in our pain and suffering,

We call you Comforter.

Because you are the means of our liberation,

All: We call you Redeemer.

All: We call upon you with all the names that make you real to us, the names that create an image that our souls can understand and touch. And yet, we know that you are more than all of these. Amen.

- \* Passing of Christ's Peace
- \* **Hymn** Pra

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

No. 23

\* Those who are able stand

\*\*\*\* Worshipers may be seated

#### **Opening Prayer** (unison)

Zach LeFeber

Sacred Parent, Faithful Mother, Gracious Father, Mother of Divine Grace, strength of the weak and comfort of all who suffer, sustenance of every incarnate soul: Remember us as your children and servants, and surround us with your maternal protection. Teach us your ways of gentleness, humility, and faith, of courage in the face of uncertainty, honor in a world of dishonor, calmness, and strength in the ever-changing currents of life. Hear our prayer, for you are our light and our hope, our soul's homing star on our ongoing pilgrim journey. Amen.

**Generosity Impact Moment** 

Rev. Wooster

**Invitation to Generosity** 

Rev. Wooster

**Anthem** 

Sing Gently (Eric Whitacre)

Nancy Isham, Kate Breen, and Anne Layne; trio; Marcia Snavely, piano

\* Doxology

No. 47

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

**Prayer of Dedication** 

Rev. Wooster

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer

Zach LeFeber

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.



Hymn	Bring Many Names	No. 10
Scripture	Isaiah 66:12-13; Hosea 13:5-8a; Luke 13:34	Rev. Wooster
Sermon		Rev. Wooster
Hymn	Let the Whole Creation Cry	No. 21
Benediction		Rev. Wooster
Postlude	Hyfrydol (R. Vaughan Williams)	Marcia Snavely, organ
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~ Departing to Service ~

## **UPCOMING WORSHIP**

Sunday, August 27th, 10 AM Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches "God as a Midwife and Nurse" Exodus 1:8-2:10