



**Sunday May 11, 2025
Mother's Day!**

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

INTROIT

The Blessing

Nicole Force

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God of love, Creator of life, we hear your voice.

All: You call to us in love, and we answer.

Leader: Christ of love, shepherd of your sheep, you lead us out in love.

All: You walk in love, and we follow you.

Leader: Holy Spirit, breath of love, you give us life that cannot be taken from us.

All: You enliven us now to worship you, and to go forth to serve in love.

Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH #140

OPENING PRAYER

God of grace, when we are lost you give us direction. When we are defeated you give us courage. When we are weak you give us strength. When we are dead you raise us to life. Come to the place in our hearts where we are in need, and take our hand, and raise us up with your Word. Amen.

THE BASKET

Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja!

Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja!

Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja!

Halleluja! Halle-lu-ja!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Loving God, we come to You with all our emotions, our grief and our joy, our bewilderment and our anger, our sadness, fear, and hopefulness. We are a messy people and sometimes our hearts are a mess. Loving God, we know that You welcome us and accept us as we are. We know that one day our tears will be wiped away and our sorrow turned to joy, but until that day, help us to know that we are okay exactly as we are. We are okay if we grieve or are sad longer than others expect. We are okay if we doubt and question. We are okay in our fears and frustrations. And we are okay in our joy. Help us to

grow in You and with each other in mutual understanding and care. Help us to carry one another's burdens, as You carry us. In the name of Christ, who calls us into loving community, we pray. Amen.

(silence)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In God we will find comfort, refuge, and eternal rest. Until then, in one another, we find the hope and courage that comes from God, to bear one another's burdens, to offer grace and forgiveness.

SCRIPTURE Acts 9:36-43 Good News Translation

In Joppa there was a woman named Tabitha, who was a believer. (Her name in Greek is Dorcas, meaning "a deer.") She spent all her time doing good and helping the poor. At that time, she got sick and died. Her body was washed and laid in a room upstairs. Joppa was not very far from Lydda, and when the believers in Joppa heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him with the message, "Please hurry and come to us." So, Peter got ready and went with them. When he arrived, he was taken to the room upstairs, where all the widows crowded around him, crying and showing him all the shirts and coats that Dorcas had made while she was alive. Peter put them all out of the room, and knelt down and prayed; then he turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up!" She opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up. Peter reached over and helped her get up. Then he called all the believers, including the widows, and presented her alive to them. The news about this spread all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. Peter stayed on in Joppa for many days with a tanner of leather named Simon.

MESSAGE

Called to Care for Others

SONG

I Hope You Dance

Nicole Force & UMC Wayne Choir

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING OFFERTORY

**Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us**

**You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high**

Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God of Grace and Glory, we offer these gifts as testimony of our faith. Use these gifts so that we may see one another as you envision us – faithful followers. In the name of the Resurrected Healer, Jesus the Christ, we pray, Amen.

**From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high**

*** CLOSING HYMN**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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BENEDICTION

Old Irish Blessing

Nicole Force & UMC Wayne Choir

POSTLUDE

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ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIORS!!

The UMCW Scholarship applications can be picked up in the church office and must be returned by **May 15th.**

Office Hours: 10am-3pm Tuesday-Thursday.

****Applicants must be an active member of the UMC in Wayne**

**** Any questions contact Nancy Kinch at (973) 694-2603 or nkinch@aol.com**



The UMC for Greater New Jersey Annual Conference

will be held May 18- 20 in Wildwood NJ.

This year's mission project is "**Socks for Seniors**", where adult socks will be collected by local churches and distributed to Cape May County seniors in need.

Our Wayne UMC collection will end on Friday, May 16.

A box for your donations of NEW ADULT SOCKS will be in the narthex.

Pat Moore will be attending the conference and will proudly bring our collection.

ANNOUNCEMENTS May 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS May 12th – 18th

Monday May 12^h

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday May 13th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Wednesday May 14th

Bible Study @ 12pm in Fellowship Hall BYO Lunch

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Thursday May 15th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Christian Meditation @ 6:30pm in French Chapel

Friday May 16th

Friday Morning Prayer @ 7pm on Facebook

Sunday May 18th

Worship @ 10am

It is time to go through your closets, climb the attic stairs,
and/or go down into the basement for your gently used items.

Our Rummage Sale Collection Begins July 1st!

NJCS SEASON FINALE MASTERWORKS CONCERT

Lux Aeterna Masterworks Concert Featuring Faure's Requiem

June 14th, Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Westside Presbyterian Church, Ridgewood NJ

Everlasting light, eternal rest, and consolation are woven together in Gabriel Faure's Requiem, an inspiring, world-renowned Mass, sometimes described as a "lullaby of death." Additional musical choices presented reflect on profound meanings of eternal light and the circle of life.

See Lyn Sentkowski for tickets!

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The Origin of Mother's Day



Julia Ward Howe a woman known for her strong and outspoken views was an abolitionist, a suffragist, human rights activist, poet, author of “The Battle Hymn of the Republic”, preacher, lecturer, dignitary, and the mother of seven children! While pondering the “cruel and unnecessary character” of the Franco-Prussian War a “question forced itself” upon her: “Why do not the mothers of mankind interfere in these matters, to prevent the waste of human life which they alone bear and know the cost?” And so, she

called out for women of the world to “rise up through the ashes and devastation” and unite for peace. In 1870 she wrote the “Mother’s Day Proclamation” that planted the seed for what would become a national holiday.

“Arise, then, women of this day! Arise, all women who have hearts, whether your baptism be that of water or of tears! ...

We, women of one country, will be too tender of those of another country to allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs. From the bosom of the devastated earth a voice goes up with our own. It says: Disarm, Disarm!...

Let us meet first, as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead. Let us then solemnly take council with each other as to the means whereby the great human family can live in peace, man as the brother of man, each bearing after his own kind the sacred impress, not of Caesar, but of God!”

~ excerpts from The Mother’s Day Proclamation for Peace” by Julia Ward Howe

Following her proclamation, Howe began advocating the creation of a “Mother’s Day for Peace” to be held on June 2 each year. The initiative lasted about twenty-five years. Afterward, Methodist Anna Jarvis campaigned to have a national Mother’s Day holiday to honor the important role of mothers. By 1917, Mother’s Day was a national holiday.