

Order of Service

4 June 2023

Celebrating 100 Years of the Flower Ceremony

Gathering Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Processional

“Build Thee More Stately Mansions”
(music by Gordon Young, words by Oliver Wendell Holmes)

Sounding of the Bell

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Hymn

#8 Mother Spirit, Father Spirit

Meditation

In word: “Flower Ceremony Prayer”
(by Rev. Norbert Čapek)
In silence
In song: #123 Spirit of Life

Reading

“Ceres’ Children”
(by Vivian Viloría-Fisher)

Sermon

“A Century of Flowers”
Rev. Dr. Madelyn Campbell

Invitation to the Offering

Our share-the-plate recipient for the month of June is
The Kids Hangout

Offertory

“A Branch of May”
(English Spring carol, arranged by Greg Gilpin)

Dedication of the Offering

[in unison]

To the work of our faith,
which is weaving a tapestry of love and action,
we dedicate our lives,
and these, our offerings.
Amen.

Time For All Ages

“A Plain and Simple Beauty: The Flower Communion”
(by Janeen K. Grohsmeyer)

Flower Ceremony

“Consecration of the Flowers” (by Norbert Čapek)

Hymns during Ceremony

#78 Color and Fragrance
#63 Spring Has Now Unwrapped the Flowers
#64 Oh, Give Us Pleasure in the Flowers Today

Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

One: We extinguish our chalice flame,
for our worship has ended

All: And our service begins!

Sounding of the Bell

Recessional

“Life Calls Us On” *[refer to insert]*
(music by Jason Shelton, words by Kendyl Gibbons)

Today’s Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Madelyn Campbell

DRE: Deborah Little

Worship Associate: Vivian Viloría-Fischer

Musicians: Dorothea Cook, Julie Doczi, Wei-An Hung, Kevin McKeown,
Bethany Riddle, Dan Weymouth, Peter Winkler, and the Unicorn Singers

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Life Calls Us On

Kendyl Gibbons

Jason Shelton

Gospel Swing ♩ = 100



1. Here in rev-'rence now we ga-ther_____
2. Words and deeds of those be-fore us_____
3. Loy - al guides in love and du-ty_____
4. We will share a ra-diant hour_____

Fourth Verse: up a half-step

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For the bles-sings we have known.____	With a pledge to one an-
Wa - ken here to keep us strong.____	Blend our voi - ces in the
Lead us with a trust-ed light:_____	Blest are they whose in - ward
When the truth will make us free,_____	And the spir - it's gra-cious

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o - ther_____	That we jour-ney not a - lone.____	Joy and
cho - rus_____	Of cre - a - tion's liv - ing song.____	Cour-age
beau-ty_____	Shows the path of truth and right,____	Hon - or
pow-er_____	Dreams of good that yet shall be.____	Bright the

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sor-row make us wise,____	Kin to all that lives and dies;	Love calls us
bids us lift our eyes.____	Up-ward to the shin-ing skies;	Hope calls us
is their earth-ly prize;____	By their work we re - a - lize,	Faith calls us
path be - fore us lies,____	Joy - ful pil-grims now we rise;	Life calls us

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on,_____	Love cals us_ on._____	(4.)Life calls us_
on,_____	Hope calls us_ on._____	
on,_____	Faith calls us_ on._____	
on!_____		

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on._____	Life calls us on_____	Life calls us_ on!
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