**First United Church**

*Seeking to be a welcoming community of Christian faith, proclaiming and celebrating the love of God in Jesus Christ through the Inspiration of the Holy Spirit*

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###### ORDER OF SERVICE

***Musical Prelude***

***Opening Prayer/Songs/Choruses***

1. *“That’s Why We Praise Him”* (Chorus only)

**That’s why we praise him, that’s why we sing**

**That’s why we offer him our everything**

**That’s why we bow down, and worship this King**

**‘Cause He gave His everything**

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1. *“Awesome God” (2x)*

**Our God is an awesome God, and reigns from heaven above**

**with wisdom, pow’r and love, Our God is an awesome God.**

1. *“Stand By Me (My Lord)”*

**When the night, has come, and the land is dark**

**And the moon, is the only, light we see**

**Oh I won’t, be afraid, no I won’t be afraid**

**Just as long, as you stand, stand by me**

**Chorus: So my Lord, my Lord,**

**Stand by me, stand by me,**

**Oh stand,**

**Stand by me.**

**If the sky, that we look upon, should tumble and fall**

**And the mountains, should crumble, into the sea**

**I won’t cry, I won’t cry, no I won’t shed a tear**

**Just as long, as you stand, stand by men**

**Repeat Chorus**

***Call To Worship*** (Psalm 95 1-7) responsively

One: Come let us shout joyfully to the Lord,

**ALL: Shout triumphantly to the rock of our salvation!**

One: Let us enter His presence with thanksgiving;

**ALL: Let us shout triumphantly to him in song.**

One: For the Lord is a great God

**ALL: A great King above all gods**

One: The depths of the earth are in his hand

**ALL: And the mountain peaks are his.**

One: The sea is his; he made it.

**ALL: His hands formed the dry land.**

One: Come, let us worship and bow down,

**ALL: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

***Ministry of Music:*** *Senior Choir*

***Welcome/Life & Work of the Church***

***Offering / Offertory Hymn/ Prayer of Dedication***

***Songs/Choruses***

1. *“This Little Light of Mine”*

**This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.**

**This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.**

**This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.**

**Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!**

**Hide it under and bushel? No! I`m gonna let it shine.**

**Hide it under and bushel? No! I`m gonna let it shine.**

**Hide it under and bushel? No! I`m gonna let it shine.**

**Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!**

**Don’t let anyone put it out, I’m gonna let it shine.**

**Don’t let anyone put it out, I’m gonna let it shine.**

**Don’t let anyone put it out, I’m gonna let it shine.**

**Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

1. *“He Knows My Name” (2x)*

**He knows my name. He knows my ev’ry thought.**

**He sees each tear that falls, and hears me when I call,**

**and hears me when I call.**

***Circle Time***

*(the children may leave for Church School)*

***Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:5-15***

***Hymn of Preparation: VU#356*** *“Seek Ye First”*

***The Message:*** “Why & How To Pray” *Chris Ross*

***Prayer***

***\*Closing Hymn: VU#664*** *“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”*

***\* Benediction***

***\* Commissioning Hymn:* MV#209***“Go Make a Diff’rence”*

**Go make a diff’rence. We can make a diff’rence.**

**Go make a diff’rence in the world.**

**Go make a diff’rence. We can make a diff’rence.**

**Go make a diff’rence in the world.**

***Musical Postlude***

***Thank you to Chris Ross***

***for sharing his message with us today!***