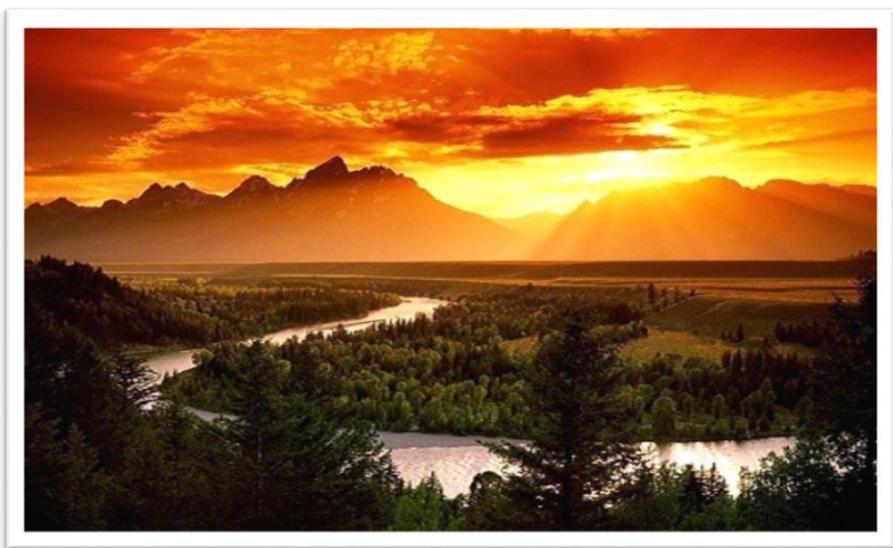


# *Welcome to Worship!*

August 12, 2018



*“Blessed are the Peacemakers”*

*“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”*  
Matthew 5:9

*“God calls us to be active in our pursuit of a peaceful world.”*  
Danielle Delconte, Lay Member from Summerfield UMC in Milwaukee,  
who introduced the action item “Preventing Gun Violence”  
at the Wisconsin Annual Conference, June 16, 2018



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### **Helping People 'Say Yes' to God**

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*Welcome to worship at First UMC Baraboo. Our mission is 'Helping people 'Say Yes' to God. "Do no harm, do all the good you can and stay in love with God" are the three simple rules we seek to live by. As you wait for worship to begin, please sign the pew pad register. If you are a first time guest, please fill out a visitor card found in the pew racks. Children are always welcome in worship; 'busy bags' are available just outside the door to fellowship hall. Our staffed nursery is available for children infants thru age five.*

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Prelude

*Bruce Rasmussen, Worship Musician*

Ringing of the Bell / Welcome

Message for the Child in Each of Us

†Blessing of the Peacemakers

Bless those who are peacemakers from all creeds and cultures.  
All who bring no other agenda than to see neighbor and stranger  
live together as one community.

Bless the peacemakers. **Strengthen and bless them.**

Bless those who are comforters, shoulders to cry upon. Willing ears to  
listen a present help in times of despair and hopelessness.

Bless the peacemakers. **Strengthen and bless them.**

Bless those who are healers of physical injury and deeper hurts  
Whose touch brings relief from trauma and pain who brings compassion.

Bless the peacemakers. **Strengthen and bless them. Amen.**

†Hymn

*"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

*The U.M. Hymnal #431*

†Sharing the Peace of Christ

Special Music

*"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" (Bach)*

*Ben Bromley & Michelle Bushweiler*

Blessed are the Peacemakers *United Methodist Communications Video*

Story of an Annual Conference Peacemaker

*Leanna Daniels*

Reading from the Hebrew Scripture

Micah 4:1-4

Reading from the Christian Scripture

Ephesians 6:13-15

Sung Response to the Word

“Gloria”

*The U.M. Hymnal #72*

†Hymn

“God of All Salvation”

*(Tune: The Church’s One Foundation, The U.M. Hymnal #545)*

By Ally Barrett (used by permission)

**O God of all salvation, in this, our darkest hour,  
Look down at your creation with pity and with power.  
In all the pain we’re seeing, for parent, partner, friend,  
We’ll cling with all our being to love that cannot end.**

**O God, your loving passion is deeper than our pain,  
Look down, and in compassion bring us to life again.  
When we are found despairing, when all seems lost to sin,  
We’ll hear your voice declaring that love alone will win.**

**O God, when hate grows stronger, with fear to pave its way,  
The cry, ‘Lord, how much longer?’ with broken hearts we pray.  
In all that is dismaying in humankind’s freewill,  
We’ll join our voices, praying that love will triumph still.**

**O God, whose love will never be silenced, stalled or stilled,  
Set us to work wherever there’re bridges to rebuild.  
We’ll take our life’s vocation to make, like heav’n above,  
In this and every nation a kingdom built on love.**

*Ally Barrett writes, “In the week when 50 gay people were murdered in an Orlando nightclub, a member of the British Parliament was murdered in her own constituency, and United Kingdom Independence Party published an advertisement that many felt incited racial hatred in the run up to the European referendum, I found myself unable to sleep at night, and while I was watching, and waiting and weeping, I wrote this as a prayer...”*

Story of an Annual Conference Peacemaker

*Danielle Delconte*

Invitation to Become a Peacemaker

Offering

†Offering Response

“Yes, Lord, Yes”

**I said, “yes, Lord, yes!” to your will and to your way,  
I say “Yes, Lord, yes!” I will trust you obey.  
When your Spirit speaks to me, with my whole heart I’ll agree  
And my answer will be yes, Lord, yes!**

†Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**We bring these gifts as a sign that “Yes, Lord” we want to be peacemakers. Use these gifts to reconcile people everywhere to you, to each other and to themselves. May what we offer – our time, our talents, our treasure, our selves – become a source of peace for someone else. In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

Prayer of the Peacemakers (Dom Helder Camara)

Do not smile and say you are already with us. Millions do not know you and to us who do, what is the difference?

**What is the point of your presence if our lives do not alter?**

Change our lives, shatter our complacency. Make your word flesh of our flesh, blood of our blood and our life's purpose.

**Take away the quietness of a clear conscience. Press us uncomfortably. For only thus that other peace is made, your peace. Amen.**

Joys & Concerns

*After you share a joy or concern, you are invited to add “God of healing” or “God of celebration” or use other appropriate wording and then the congregation will respond, “Hear our prayer!”*

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer

*The U.M. Hymnal #895*

Announcements

†Hymn

*“Open My Eyes”  
The U.M. Hymnal #454*

†Closing Words

*“For the Courage to Do Justice”  
The U.M. Hymnal #456*

†Postlude

† = *Please rise if you are able*

**SERVING YOU TODAY...**

- Pastor .....Marianne Cotter
- Liturgist .....Alice Schellenberger
- Church Opener .....Mondy Shogren
- Greeter(s)..... Caroline Schick
- Ushers ..... The Ortons
- A/V Powerpoint & Booth .....Mike Hanson & Mike Pullen
- Worship Musician ..... Bruce Rasmussen

*Thank you to Ben Bromley & Michelle Bushweiler for providing special music!*