



*Living by Faith, Known by Love, A Voice of Hope*  
**First Church in Windsor, UCC**

12 Ways to Be a Christian  
July 17, 2022, at 10 a.m.

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship (Psalm 27)**

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**People: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

Leader: When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—

**People: My adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.**

Leader: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me,

**People: Yet I will be confident. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?**

**\*Hymn**

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*  
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Words by Isaac Watts  
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**I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,  
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.**

**I sing the goodness of our God that filled the earth with food;  
God formed the creatures with a word, and then pronounced them good.  
Oh, how your wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye;  
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!**

**On earth there's not a plant or flower but makes your glory known.  
The clouds arise and spread their showers by order from your throne.  
All life is but a gift from you and ever in your care;  
Wherever people gather, you, our God, are present there.**

**Prayer of Invocation**

**O God, our Rock, we know you are with us and you see every choice we make. We have observed things that are not right, and we need you to embolden us with the courage to speak out against them. Be our Rock, O God. Deliver us from every fear we have of criticism or consequences for standing up for what is right. Increase our trust in you. Empower us to stand firm and courageous. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and uphold us with your hand. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

## **\*Prayer of our Savior**

**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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

## **Anthem**

*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*  
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## **Children's Moment**

### **Scripture**

#### **Matthew 5:14-16**

<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

#### **Romans 8:31**

<sup>31</sup>What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup>Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ...No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## **Sermon**

Pastor Nicole

“Be Bold”

## **\*Hymn**

*You Are My All in All*  
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**You are my strength when I am weak,  
you are the treasure that I seek, you are my all in all.  
Seeking you as a precious jewel,  
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool, you are my all in all.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.**

**Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,  
rising again I bless your name, you are my all in all.  
When I fall down, you pick me up,  
when I am dry you fill my cup, you are my all in all.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.  
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## **Pastoral Prayer & Prayers of the People**

### **Prayer Response**

*If You Say "Go"*

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**If you say, 'Go,' we will go.  
If you say, 'Wait,' we will wait.  
If you say, 'Step out on the water,'  
and they say it can't be done,  
we'll fix our eyes on you and we will come.**

### **Mission Moment**

### **Announcements**

Offering Plates are on the tables back of the church. If you wish, you may give online [here](#).

### **\*Hymn**

*Shout to the North*

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**Men of faith, rise up and sing of the great and glorious King.  
You are strong when you feel weak, in your brokenness complete.  
Shout to the north and the south, sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.**

**Rise up, women of the truth, stand and sing to broken hearts  
Who can know the healing pow'r of our awesome God of love.  
Shout to the north and the south, sing to the east and the west,  
Jesus is savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.**

**We've been through fire, we've been through rain,  
We've been refined by the pow'r of this name.  
We've fallen deeper in love with you.  
You've burned the truth on our lips.**

**Rise up, church with broken wings, fill this place with songs again  
Of our God who reigns on high. By this grace again we'll fly.  
Shout to the north and the south, sing to the east and the west,  
Jesus is savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.**

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Aus Meines Herzens Grunde*

By Johann Christoph Bach

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\*Please stand as you are able, **Bolded Font** to be read by all

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