



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

Veterans Sunday  
November 13, 2022, at 10 a.m.

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship**

*You Make Beautiful Things*

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**You make beautiful things, you make beautiful things out of dust.  
You make beautiful things, you make beautiful things out of us.**

**People: We ask your blessing**

Leader: For the family members who have made great sacrifices in order to make it possible for their service members to be on watch at home or around the world or to go into harm's way,

**People: We ask your blessing.**

Leader: For the families who grieve the death of a member who went in harm's way, never to return,

**People: We ask your blessing.**

Leader: Jesus tells us that no one has greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. For all those veterans who have been willing to lay down their lives for us,

**People: We ask your blessing.**

Leader: For the veterans of past wars who bear scars in their bodies and spirits,

**People: We ask your blessing.**

Leader: For veterans who came home but couldn't "fit in" with their families or communities anymore,

**People: We ask your blessing.**

**Keep all our veterans in your care today. Grant them the peace they sought to preserve for others. As we honor our veterans, we also pray for peace. Teach all your people the ways of peace that those who have sacrificed so much for peace and freedom will not have done so in vain. We pray all these things in the name of your son, our savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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## **Passing of the Peace**

Leader: May the Peace of the Creator God be with you

**People: And also with you**

Leader: Let us share a wave of peace.

*Please make sure to wave to our online community, send a text message of peace to someone, or pass the peace in the chat on Facebook.*

## **Hymn**

### *Amazing Grace*

Words by John Newton

Music from Columbia Harmony

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**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.**

**Through many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come.  
Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.**

## **Prayer of Invocation**

**God of peace, just as the guns fell silent on Armistice Day so many years ago, allowing people to hear the sounds of hope and promise again, may our hearts be quieted this hour. God of life, in this time of prayer and song and remembering, may we feel your presence among us. May our worship here re-awaken in our hearts and souls a new hope for the possibility of peace. May you fill our very beings with a vision of your justice that brings true peace to the world. This we pray in the name of the Prince of Peace. 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**

## **Children's Moment**

## Scripture

### Job 4:12-17, 5:6-16

<sup>12</sup>“Now a word came stealing to me, my ear received the whisper of it. <sup>13</sup>Amid thoughts from visions of the night, when deep sleep falls on mortals, <sup>14</sup>dread came upon me, and trembling, which made all my bones shake. <sup>15</sup>A spirit glided past my face; the hair of my flesh bristled. <sup>16</sup>It stood still, but I could not discern its appearance. A form was before my eyes; there was silence, then I heard a voice: <sup>17</sup>“Can mortals be righteous before God? Can human beings be pure before their Maker?”

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## Sermon

Pastor Nicole

“Broken Bodies, Broken Spirits Restored”

## Anthem

*The Cloud's Veil*

By Liam Lawton

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## Pastoral Prayer & Prayers of the People

### Prayer Response

*Bringing in the Sheaves (response version)*

Words by Knowles Shaw

Music by George Minor

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**Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.  
Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
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## Announcements

### Online Giving

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

## Stewardship Moment

**\*Hymn**

*Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

Words by Julia Ward Howe,  
Music traditional American  
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**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
he hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword;  
his truth is marching on.**

**Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.**

**I have seen him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps;  
they have builded him an altar in the evening dews and damps;  
I can read his righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps,  
his day is marching on.**

**Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.**

**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;  
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgement seat;  
O be swift, my soul, to answer him, be jubilant my feet!  
Our God is marching on.**

**Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.**

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

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