

SUNDAY WORSHIP

August 2, 2026 ~ 10:30am

Mission Statement: As a community of faith, we welcome all who seek understanding. • As a community of hope, we offer friendship and comfort to those in need. • As a community of love, we provide caring support and shared fellowship to all

WE ARE A COMMUNITY CHURCH. OUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND MEMBERS COME FROM MANY PLACES AND MULTIPLE FAITH TRADITIONS. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO FIND A SPIRITUAL SANCTUARY HERE.

— ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME —

CENTERING MUSIC

Sharon Novak

CALL TO WORSHIP

Gill Le Fevre

One: We come this morning full of ourselves:

People: *Our concerns, our plans, our opinions, our schedules.*

One: In this moment, help us empty our minds of the relentless 'I' and make space for You.

People: *Enable us to put down our priorities; to set aside our assumptions and schemes.*

One: Open our hearts to recognize your love in action in our lives.

All: *Reassure us of your divine vision, and let us rest in your unending care. Amen.*

*SONG #54

*For the Beauty
of the Earth*

Sharon Novak

— PRAYING —

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

LORD'S PRAYER

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 glory forever. *Amen.*

— REFLECTING —

SCRIPTURE

Acts 16: 11-15

MESSAGE

LYDIA &
THE COLOR OF LOVE

Rev. Gail Doktor

*SONG #353

*Called as Partners
in Christ's Service*

Sharon Novak

— OFFERING —

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*SONG #44

Doxology

Sharon Novak

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

— CLOSING —

SONG

May the love of God live in us today, may the love of God live in us today.

May the warmth we feel within us show in all we do and say.

May the love of God live in us today.

May the peace of God be with us today,

May the peace of God be with us today.

May it guide us and protect us, as we go our separate ways.

May the peace of God be with us, May the love of God live in us,

May the love of God shine through us today.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Gail Doktor

SCRIPTURE

ACTS 16: 11-15 — The Conversion of Lydia

We therefore set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis,¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.¹³ On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.¹⁵ When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

PRAYERS

For PEOPLE: Alexis, Allison, Ana, Annie, Ariana, Ashley family, Bette D., Bill M., Bob C., Bob G., Brianna & baby Addie, 'Doc' G. & Cindi G., Cindy K., Corky, Deb L., Hannah, Huntley, Jenn, Jeremiah, Jess, Kailee, Karen, Kate & Rusty, Larry, Liberty, Mary, baby Miles, Mike, Nancy, Nat & baby June, baby Noelle, Nyesa, Rob, Ruth, **Scamp**, Steve, Sue D., Tom, and baby Quinn N. For those serving as first responders, for those serving on the front lines of public health and safety, for those deployed and on active military duty. For our leaders. For those grieving. Our adversaries and enemies.

For PLACES: For Chikanga Church in Mutare, Venezuela, Zimbabwe and communities in Honduras. For hurting places in the world, wounded by natural disasters or human-made causes and conflicts.

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