### Hymn

# **Amazing Grace**

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 hath 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

\*Benediction and Blessing of Food

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Sunday June 12, 2022 The Worship of God

FRUCC Annual Church Picnic

Wildcat Mountain Farm

Gathering Music Ken Davis

Welcome Rev. Horton

Call to Worship John Maze

God, as we gather together to worship you, we stand in awe of your creation.

We see you in the rising and setting of the sun. We see you in the moon and the stars of the night sky. Your creative presence is all around us.

We see you in the beasts of the field, the birds of the air and the creatures of the sea.

From the flowers of the valley to the mountaintops in the sky,

We see your beauty all over the earth.

Let us worship you for who you are our creator and sustainer.

#### Hymn

This is My Father World

1 This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas-- His hand the wonders wrought.

2 This is my Father's world: The birds their carols raise, The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

3 This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring! God reigns; let earth be glad!

\*Invocation John Maze

Scripture Psalm 8 John Maze

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name throughout the earth! You made your glory higher than heaven! 2 From the mouths of nursing babies you have laid a strong foundation because of your foes, in order to stop vengeful enemies. 3 When I look up at your skies, at what your fingers made— the moon and the stars that you set firmly in place— 4 what are human beings that you think about them; what are human beings that you pay attention to them? 5 You've made them only slightly less than divine, crowning them with glory and grandeur. 6 You've let them rule over your handiwork, putting everything under their feet— 7 all sheep and all cattle, the wild animals too, 8 the birds in the sky, the fish of the ocean, everything that travels the pathways of the sea. 9 Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name throughout the earth!

# **Prayer of Confession**

God, we come to you today acknowledging that things are broken. Creation is broken. Relationships are broken. We are broken. But in the same breath we know that you make all things new. Today we pray that your presence would be felt in our brokenness. We ask that through your grace all of creation would once again be made whole. Amen.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

# **Hymn** Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain: Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

# **Prayers of the People**

#### Hymn

In the Sweet By and By

1 There's a land that is fairer than day, and by faith we can see it afar; For the Father waits over the way to prepare us a dwelling place there.

Refrain: In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore. In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.

2 We shall sing on that beautiful shore, the melodious songs of the blest; And our spirits shall sorrow no more, not a sigh for the blessing of rest. [Refrain]

3 To our bountiful Father above we will offer our tribute of praise, For the glorious gift of His love and the blessings that hallow our days. [Refrain]

# **Scripture Reading**

Mark 8: 34-35

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34 After calling the crowd together with his disciples, Jesus said to them, "All who want to come after me must say no to themselves, take up their cross, and follow me. 35 All who want to save their lives will lose them. But all who lose their lives because of me and because of the good news will save them.

#### Meditation

What have we lost?

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# **Invitation to Give and to Serve**

As evident through all of creation, God has given freely given to us. Let us continue to worship through the giving of our tithes and our offerings.

# \*Prayer of Dedication

John Maze