

Germonds Church

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“Hymns and the Seasons of Our Lives”

June 1, 2025

Participating in Worship:

Music Director – Melissa Alexander

Pianist/Organist – Susan Buffington

Liturgist – Bob Lerch

Special Musicians – Mike Ponella, Jacquelyn Drechsler

Ushers – Karin Valvo, Adriana Brandt

Fellowship- Alice and Jon Mercado

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Life in the Church:

June 1 – Tammy Bierker is our guest preacher/worship leader today; communion will take place next week with Rev. Sarah Henkel. There is no Sunday School today.

June 8 – Next Sunday we will celebrate communion and Pentecost Sunday. Rev. Sarah Henkel will lead us in worship. Don't forget to wear red!

June 15 – Father's Day & Berry Festival. Bring something berry related for fellowship time to share.

June 22 – is the "Closing Service" for our Sunday School year, where our children lead us in worship with music and sharing about what they learned in Sunday School this past year. Come support our youngest disciples and participate in an enhanced fellowship coffee hour afterwards.

June 28 – Annual Tea Party in Jensen Hall. Sign up.

June 29 – WORSHIP SERVICE TIME CHANGE – 9:30 am service. Don't forget!

July 6 – WORSHIP AT NEW HEMPSTEAD CHURCH – **10:00 am**. There will be no service in the Germonds sanctuary, but a service with communion AT New Hempstead. This is a great opportunity to experience worship in another church context, with all the ways it does things differently than Germonds.

July 13 – We go back to normal services at 9:30 am for the rest of the summer in the Germonds sanctuary.

PRELUDE *Trumpet Fanfare* Mike Ponella on trumpet

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT *We Know That Christ is Raised-v.1*

Hymns and the Seasons of Our Lives

“Childhood: The Season of Awe and Learning and Love” (years 0-13)

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*HYMN *Jesus Loves Me* GG: 188

**Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong, we are weak but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me; yes, Jesus loves me.
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 150, Psalm 98:4 – 6, Ephesians 5:19
“The Growing Years: A Season of Strong Emotions” (years 14-25)

*HYMN

Morning Has Broken

GG: 664

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lord, forgive us when we do not celebrate you with music and song.

We come to church and listen to the choir sing, but we do not always focus on the wonderful music they share. We sing the hymns every Sunday, but we do not acknowledge the message that the composer wanted to share with us. Scripture tells us that you, Lord, want to share joy with us through music, but we often forget that you instructed us to enjoy the music as part of our worship experience. Help us to express joy through music as we gather every Sunday.

One: Let us silently confess our sins before God.

(a time of silent reflection)

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: Your word has taught us to make a joyful noise unto our Lord.

Your word teaches that there is a time and season for everything under heaven.

All: God has given us his strength to help us in every season of our lives.

God gives us music to touch our lives in order to move forward in our Christian journey.

LET US REJOICE WITH MUSIC AND SONG!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Hear the teaching of Christ: A new command I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you. The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

ANTHEM

Bread, In Mercy Broken

Garry A. Cornell
Flutist Jacquelyn Drechsler

“The Professional Years: A Season of Building a Life” (years 26-60)

*HYMN

How Great Thou Art

GG: 625

“The Senior Years: The Season of Retirement” (years after 60)

*HYMN

It Is Well with My Soul

GG: 840

INVITATION & OFFERING

OFFERTORY

On Eagles Wings

Soloist - Mike Ponella

*DOXOLOGY

**All: Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

*CLOSING HYMN

When the Saints Go Marching In

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1. O when the saints go march-ing in, O when the
2. O when the sun re-fused to shine, O when the
3. O when they crown Him Lord of all, O when they

saints go march-ing in,
sun re-fused to shine, O Lord, I want to be in that
crown Him Lord of all,

num-ber when the saints go march-ing in.
when the sun re-fused to shine.
when they crown Him Lord of all.

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Alleluia

POSTLUDE

Long Time Ago

Aaron Copeland
Flutist Jacquelyn Drechsler

The flowers enhancing the chancel this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lou's father, Vincent Valvo, by Karin and Lou Valvo, and

...to the glory of God and in memory of my late Mother-in-Law, Dorothy Kay, by the Kay Family.