

10:30 am Worship  
September 17, 2023

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**MUSIC BEFORE WORSHIP**

Zerek Dodson, organ

Toccata and Fugue on “Rise, Shine, You People”  
by David Cherwien

**WELCOME**

Rev. Michael Mather

**MUSIC FOR ENTERING**

Zerek Dodson, piano

“Otemoyan” by Hajime Okumura

**THE CALL**

**HYMN**

#2171 “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

**REFLECTIONS RISING FROM COMMUNITY**

**THE SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 18:21-22

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“Twilight” by Herman Beeftink  
Dennis Benning, flute; Zerek Dodson, piano

**SERMON**

*Forgive Why? Because the Jubilee Has Come* – Rev. Mike Mather

**HYMN**

#2172 “We Are Called”  
Dennis Benning, saxophone

**BENEDICTION**

**MUSIC INTO LIFE**

“Squirrels” by Herman Beeftink  
Dennis Benning, flute; Zerek Dodson, piano

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**A Poem:**

**“Twilight” by F.D. Reeve**

I walk through the woods at twilight.

A veery calls.

The sun, too, spirals down.

The air cools.

the wind is dying that all day

swayed the leaves

of the ash and maple

like a vast umbrella

and shook the quivering aspen.

So many days

to pass through;

so many lost

set like a stele

on the next rise,

a gnarled gray birch

lauds the old ways.

I think instead how it grew

from so many small lives.