

# NOTES:



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## SPECIAL MUSIC

### I Carry Your Heart by E.E. Cummings

i carry your heart with me(i carry it in  
my heart)i am never without it(anywhere  
i go you go,my dear;and whatever is done  
by only me is your doing,my darling)  
i fear  
no fate(for you are my fate,my sweet)i want  
no world(for beautiful you are my world,my true)  
and it's you are whatever a moon has always  
meant  
and whatever a sun will always sing is you  
  
here is the deepest secret nobody knows  
(here is the root of the root and the bud of the  
bud  
and the sky of the sky of a tree called life;which  
grows  
higher than soul can hope or mind can hide)  
and this is the wonder that's keeping the stars  
apart

i carry your heart(i carry it in my heart)

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In what ways  
have you seen  
someone  
welcome the  
stranger?

10:30 AM  
**SEPTEMBER 14, 2025**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## MUSIC BEFORE WORSHIP

Etudes in Canonic Form, Op. 56 by Robert Schumann

I. Nicht zu schnell

II. Mit innigem Ausdruck

## WELCOME

Rev. Mike Mather & Lynnette Li

## MUSIC FOR ENTERING

"O Be Joyful in the Lord" by John Rutter

## THE CALL

Rev. Mike Mather

## HYMN

#357 "Just As I Am, Without One Plea" vs. 1, 3 & 5

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 15:1-10

Liza Purvis

## SPECIAL MUSIC

"I Carry Your Heart With Me" by David C. Dickau & E.E. Cummings

*lyrics on back of pew paper*

## SERMON

Cultivating Joy: Lost & Found

Rev. Mike Mather

## HYMN

#111 "How Can We Name a Love" vs. 1, 3 & 4

## BENEDICTION & PRESCRIPTION

Rev. Mike Mather

## MUSIC INTO LIFE

"Bring Me a Little Water, Sylvie" by Huddie Ledbetter

*Thank you to this morning's musicians:*

*The Chancel Choir*

*Zerek Dodson, piano & organ*

*Charlotte Warren Sass, Director of Worship Arts*

## MUSIC FOR ENTERING

**O Be Joyful in the Lord" by John Rutter**

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands,

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands,

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness,  
And come before God's Presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord is God

It is God that hath made us

And not we ourselves;

We are God's people, and the sheep of God's  
pasture.

O go your way Into God's gates with thanksgiving,  
And into God's courts with praise!

Be thankful unto God, and speak good of God's  
Name.

For the Lord is gracious, God's mercy is everlasting;  
and God's truth endureth from generation to  
generation

Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, and to  
the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall  
be:  
world without end, amen.