

Bulletin

Tuesday, September 7

Joy!

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

—Romans 15:13 (Christian Standard Bible)

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *Come thou fount of every blessing* (Hymnal #521) String Quartet

Welcome and Introductions

Responsive Opening Prayer *New Life Version* based on Psalm 65:9-13

O God, Around the world, you fill us with hope.

The people call out for joy and sing!

You visit the earth and water it. You make it rich.

The earth calls out for joy and sings!

The river of God is full of water, making the earth rich, giving us grain.

The river calls out for joy and sings!

You water the fields with seeds covered in earth, and plants grow well.

The fields call out for joy and sing!

You offer your good gifts through the seasons, giving us more than enough.

The harvest calls out for joy and sings!

The desert receives living water. The hills dress themselves with joy.

The desert and hills call out for joy and sing!

The grasslands are filled with birds. The valleys are covered with grain.

The meadows and valleys call out for joy and sing!

You are the hope of all the earth.

We call out for joy and sing!

Musical Response *Joy in the Morning* Natalie Sleeth

The Bridgewater Church of the Brethren Sanctus Choir

Scripture Reading Luke 2:8-20 NRSV, adapted

Special Music *The Name Song* Paula Bowser

Centenary United Methodist Church Small Ensemble

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Sermon

“Wellspring”

Musical Response

Shout to the Lord
Mill Creek Church of the Brethren Praise Team

Blessing

Postlude

Festival Flourish on “Joy to the World”

Jacob B. Weber



Sharing their gifts in worship today

Preacher

Paula Bowser, Englewood OH, Trotwood (OH) CoB, Southern Ohio Kentucky District.

Worship Leaders

Amy Gall Ritchie, Associate Pastor, and Emersyn and Ainsley Sarber, Manchester CoB, North Manchester IN, South Central IN District.

Organist

Jonathan Emmons, Antioch CoB, Rocky Mount VA, Shenandoah District; and Director of Music Ministries at Centenary United Methodist Church in Winston-Salem NC.

Come thou fount of every blessing

Violins: Ben Detrick and Venona Detrick, Elizabethtown (PA) CoB, Atlantic Northeast District. Viola: Colette Wichert, York County PA. Cello: Christine Wuhrman, York County PA.

Joy in the Morning

The Bridgewater (VA) CoB Sanctus Choir, Shenandoah District. Director: Curtis Nolley. Pianists: John Barr and Mary Beth Flory.

The Name Song

Composed by Paula Bowser. Arranged and directed by Jonathan Emmons. Sung by the Centenary United Methodist Church Small Ensemble, Winston-Salem NC.

Shout to the Lord

Mill Creek CoB Praise Team, Port Republic VA, Shenandoah District: Dennis Dellinger and Jeff Patterson, guitar; Joel Geisert, bass guitar; Craig Landes, banjo; Brian Alger, drums; Mac Long, piano; and Lynn Hill, sound.

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