

# LISBON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 13, 2021 Kingdomtide  
"At Home Worship"

## Call to Worship

*Through the abundance of your steadfast love, O God,  
we will enter your presence.*

*We will bow down in awe before you.*

**We will listen to your holy Word.**

*We will follow the path you lay before us.*

**We will worship you in love and gratitude.**

**Opening Prayer** Faithful, merciful Creator of new beginnings, we enter your house this day surrounded by your steadfast love. We hear your voice this hour in the words spoken and the movement of the Spirit in our hearts. Let your will be known, we pray, that we may follow your Son with faithful hearts. For today and for the week to come, we would be your people, even as you are our God. Amen.

**Scripture Reading** *"...the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward."* Read 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

## Prayer of Confession

*Holy God, you call us to live in mystery, to walk by faith. Yet,  
we long for plans with goals and schedules.*

**O God, it's hard to live by faith. (R)**

*You call us to place our trust in you, to live according to your  
direction. Yet, we want life to make sense from a human  
point of view. (R)*

*You call us to feel the mystery of life, to marvel at the power of  
your love. Yet, it's not easy to accept your promise that  
everything old has passed away. (R)*

*Forgive us, we pray to you, O God, in our silence...*

## Time of Silent Confession

**Words of Assurance** Hear the good news – the God who creates also forgives. The Risen Christ offers life in his name. The Holy Spirit lives within, blessing us with love and forgiveness. It's hard to live by faith but we hear God's good news and we are filled with rejoicing.

**Scripture Reading** *"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation."* Read 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

**Remembering our Joys and Concerns in Prayer** *Please spend a few moments remembering those who are on our prayer list and the joys and concerns you bring to God today.*

**A Time of Prayer** Patient and loving God, we come before you in a spirit of prayer this morning. Strengthen our faith, we ask, so that, in this time of unknowing, we may live as people who wait with hope and expectation. Help us be people who trust your promise shared with us in Jesus Christ, the Way, and the Truth, and the Life. Set our hearts and minds on you that we may know your constant presence and everlasting love. In Jesus' name, we pray, as Christ taught us..... **The Lord's Prayer**

**Scripture Reading** *"With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed..."* Read Mark 4:26-34

## Meditation

**Words of Benediction** May the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit abide with us this week. Glory be to our God who leads us forth as disciples who work to transform the world for Christ Jesus.



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all people  
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