

Hymn Sing

Welcome

Musical Call to Worship

*Come, We That Love the Lord*  
Julie Ponting, oboe; Alice La Russo, flute  
Acolyte: Julia Fisher

\*Opening Litany

Worship Leader: Levi Garrett

Leader: In the midst of chaos and division, busy-ness and the mundane,  
God invites us.

**People: With everything going on, who has time to feast?**

L: Amidst our anxiety, our worry; bill-paying and deadlines, God invites us.

**P: We are tempted to grab a small bite, a snack for the road, a taste between emails and projects.**

L: The feast is prepared! All are invited, all are welcome!

**P: Do we expect God's love to be a feast, or fast-food on the go?**

\*Opening Hymn

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* UMH #121

Children's Story Time (*Children ages 3-5 may leave for Sunday School after this.*)

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: Open to us the power of the stories of faith.

**People: Let us hear and know their meaning for our lives.**

Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:1-14 N.T. p.24 Acts 17:22-28 N.T. p.137

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us,  
for the word of God within us. **Thanks be to God.**

\*Hymn

*Bind Us Together* TFWS #2226

Sermon

Pastor Will

Call to Prayer

*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*  
Flute, Oboe

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

UMH #895

Passing the Peace

Music Ministry

*Dancing by the Stream* Shao Ying Low  
Julie Ponting, oboe Alice La Russo, flute Dana Scott, piano

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\*Doxology

UMH #94

Opportunities to Serve

\*Closing Hymn

*To God Be the Glory* UMH #98

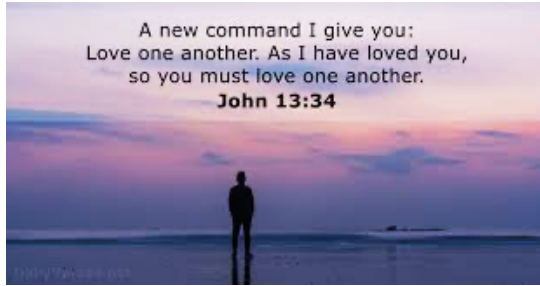
\*Benediction

Postlude

Opening litany: adapted from liturgy by Rev. Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy



*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*



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## *Life Lessons from the Olympics*



Emma Houston, AKA Shortbread. Photograph: Amit Lennon/The Observer

**UMD Football Games** Our church offers parking to those attending UMD football games. We need several volunteers to run this mission, which is also an important fundraiser for our church. Can you help? Even an hour makes a difference to us as we strive to make our space safe and hospitable for all. Volunteers help to take the entrance fee. We also need one or two people willing to be in charge on game days. This is an easy job! Our first two games will be on August 31 at noon and September 7 at 3:30. Please sign up on the links provided in the weekly emails, or let the church office know if you can help.

**Campus Drive News** On August 20, Campus Drive will reopen. Construction will continue in the middle of the road, so watch for new traffic patterns.

**MD Food Pantry** Please donate feminine hygiene products and **Chili powder** for the month of August. You may place items in the box in the lobby. Donations will be shared with the UMD Food Pantry, which provides items to food insecure students and staff.

### For Your Calendar:

- August 18 Loaves and Fishes Community Meal
- August 25 Welcome Back Cookout/Potluck – UMD students are back!
- August 31 12:00 UMD Football game; Volunteers needed.
- Sept. 7 3:30 UMD Football game; Volunteers needed.

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