

# Irvine United Congregational Church

*An Open & Affirming, Just Peace, Global Mission, Creation Justice  
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

*September 11, 2022 • 9:30 & 11 AM*

*FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

## **Prelude**

### ***After a Dream***

Yuyoung Jeong

music by Gabriel Fauré (arr. Brent Edstrom)

## **Gathering Song**

### ***As We Gather***

by Coomes & Fay

*As we gather may your Spirit work within us  
As we gather may we glorify your name  
Knowing well that as our hearts begin to worship  
We'll be blessed because we came  
(Repeat)*

## **Welcome**

the Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

## **Introit**

### ***A Joyful Noise***

IUCC Chancel Choir

by Bob Allen

## **Call to Worship**

Rugee Gimarino

One: To all that is chaotic in us, let there come silence.

Let there be a calming of the clamoring, a stilling of the voices that have laid their claim on us, that have made their home in us, that go with us even to the holy places but will not let us rest, will not let us hear our life with wholeness or feel the grace that fashioned us.

**Many: Let what distracts us cease. Let what divides us cease. Let there come an end to what diminishes and demeans and let depart all that keeps us in its cage.**

One: Let there be an opening into the quiet that lies beneath the chaos, where we find the peace we did not think possible and see what shimmers within the storm.

~ Adapted from Jan Richardson's Blessing in the Chaos

## **Anthem**

### ***Be the Change***

IUCC Chancel Choir

by Laura Farnell

## **A Fresh Word**

## **Prayers of the Church**

Pastor Sarah

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer...

**Our Creator (Father, Mother, or other name as you are comfortable), which**

art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**Hymn**

***The Fire of Commitment***

Dr. Chris Peterson

by Jason Shelton

*From the light of days remembered burns a beacon bright and clear  
Guiding hands and hearts and spirits Into faith set free from fear.  
When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul a blaze  
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way  
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within,  
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin.*

*When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way  
From the stories of our living rings a song both brave and free,  
Calling pilgrims still to witness to the life of liberty.  
When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul a blaze  
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within,  
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin*

*From the dreams of youthful vision comes a new, prophetic voice,  
Which demands a deeper justice built by our courageous choice  
When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul a blaze  
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way  
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within,  
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin.*

**Offertory**

Rugee Gimarino

**Offertory Music**

Yuyoung Jeong

**Prayer of Dedication**

Rugee Gimarino

**Scripture**

John 11:38-44  
(New Century Version)

Rugee Gimarino

Again feeling very upset, Jesus came to the tomb. It was a cave with a large stone covering the entrance. Jesus said, "Move the stone away." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said, "But, Lord, it has been four days since he died. There will be a bad smell. Then Jesus said to her, "Didn't I tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" So they moved the stone away from the entrance. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you heard

