

**Order of Worship**  
**Friendship United Methodist Church**  
**Sunday July 18, 2021**

*Please turn off the internet connection on your cell phones or place them in "Airplane Mode."*

**Gathering**

**"This Is The Day"**

**Greeting/Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

**from Psalm 89**

**L:** I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;  
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

**P:** *I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;  
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.*

**L:** Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord,  
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.

**P:** *For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?  
Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord?*

**All:** *O come, let us worship the Lord!*

**\*Opening Prayer**

**Shirley Waldrum**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

**UMH #203**

**"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"**

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!  
Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;  
to take away transgression, and rule in equity.*

*He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong;  
to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;  
to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,  
whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in his sight.*

*He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;  
love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth.*

*Before him, on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go,  
and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.*

*To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;  
his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.*

*The tide of time shall never his covenant remove;  
his name shall stand forever; that name to us is love.*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**UMH #887**

**L:** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall tribulation or distress,  
or persecution or famine,  
or nakedness or peril or sword?

**All:** *No!*

*In all things we are more than conquerors  
through the One who loved us.*

*We are sure that neither  
death nor life,  
nor angels, nor principalities,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Thanks be to God! Amen.*

**\*Gloria Patri**

**UMH # 70**

**Scripture Reading**

**2 Samuel 7:1-14a**

*Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you."*

*But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been*

*moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.*

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings** **Debra Jackson**  
*(Those worshipping in person may place their offerings in the plates located at the front and rear of the sanctuary. Those worshipping remotely may send their offerings to:  
Friendship United Methodist Church  
PO Box 3385  
Sherman, Texas, 75091)*

**\*The Doxology** **UMH # 95**  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures here below  
Praise him, above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Children's Time** **Roy Spore**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer**  
*(During this time, the congregation is invited to offer up their concerns for others by speaking their name or by typing it into the "chat" box on Facebook. Please offer only their first name to protect their privacy.)*

**Hymn of Celebration** **UMH #540**  
**"I Love Thy Kingdom Lord"**

*I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,  
the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.*

*I love thy church, O God! Her walls before thee stand  
dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.*

*For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend,  
to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.*

*Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways,  
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.*

*Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given  
the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.*

**Hymn of Preparation** **UMH # 328**  
**"Surely the Presence of Lord"**

*Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel his mighty power and his grace  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see  
glory on each face, surely the presence of  
the Lord is in this place.*

**Message** **Roy Spore**  
**"A House for God"**

**Hymn of Discipleship** **UMH #123**  
**"El Shaddai"**

*El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai, El-Elyon na Adonai  
Age to age You're still the same  
By the power of the name*

*El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai, Erkahmka na Adonai  
We will praise and lift You high, El-Shaddai*

**Benediction**

**Opportunities for Involvement and Ministry**

**July 18**

9:50 – Sunday School  
“Productive Discipleship”  
11:00 – Worship

**July 21**

10:00 – 12:00 – “Craft Time”

**August 21**

“Mardigivingmas”

*An evening of fun & games for all the times we missed.*

**September 19**

Sherman Artfest

**October 23**

Chilifest – 11:00–2:00

**Remember:**

*Once again we are collecting water bottles for the Sherman  
ISD. We will collect them throughout the school year as  
needed, but we would like to make our primary delivery  
before school starts on August 18. Bring your bottles to the  
church or make a monetary contribution . . . either one  
works!*