# Congregational Church of Westminster West A United Church of Christ September 7, 2025

#### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude:** O Rest in the Lord - Mendelssohn, arr. Lani Smith

\*Call to Worship, Psalm 33:2-6 (responsive):

RIGHT: Praise the Lord with the lyre; make melody to God with the harp of ten strings.

LEFT: Sing to God a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

RIGHT: For the word of the Lord is upright, and all God's work is done in faithfulness.

LEFT: God loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

#### \*Invocation (unison):

O God of the morning and of the evening hours, let your Spirit come on us here gathered. This is the holy place where we, your people, call on you in faith, joining heart and voice in thanksgiving and praise to your name. Amen.

# \*Opening Hymn of choice

Prayer of Confession #835 Assurance of Pardon Gloria #756

Lectionary readings: Genesis 1:1-2:4a, John 1: 1-5

\*Hymns of Choice

Prayers of the People Joys and Concerns Pastoral Prayer

#### Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Let us not fall into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the

kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### \*Hymns of Choice

#### **Holy Communion**

*Offertory:* What a Wonderful World - George David Weiss and Bob Thele, arr. Gail Lew

#### \*Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, one. AMEN.

# \*Prayer of Dedication

# \*Hymns of Choice

\*Benediction, Hymn # 76, Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Postlude: Bread and Fishes - Alan Bell