

## Order of Worship

### Gathering

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Keith Herron

Announcements

Dan Loven-Crum

Call to Worship

Matt Atchison

Examen

Dan Loven-Crum

Musical Reflection:

*Take My Life and Let it be Consecrated -*

Mark Hayes

### Hearing God's Word

Children's Moment

Rebecca Morello

Scripture:

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Matt Atchison

Reflection

Rev. Dr. Keith Herron

Musical Reflection:

*The Call - David Ashley White*

### Responding to God's Word

Communion

Rev. Dr. Keith Herron

Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Keith Herron

Hymn:

*The Beauty of this Sacred Place*  
(the music for the hymn is on the back)

Basket / Countryside Blessing  
Rev. Dr. Keith Herron / Molly Atchison

Postlude

OUR WORSHIP HAS CONCLUDED.  
NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS.

C4 choir - Adam Witte, director  
Alex Ritter, organ and piano



September 11, 2022  
**Letters to a Young Believer:  
Tipping Over  
the First Domino**  
Rev. Dr. Keith Herron

### Who We Are:

We are an inclusive, open and affirming family of faith, welcoming all to God's table of love and acceptance.

We are diverse, yet united by Christ's example.

We care for one another, support one another and challenge one another to become all that God creates us to be.

We work together to nurture our community and to promote peace, equality and justice in our conflicted world.

### What's Happening at Countryside

#### **Bible Study with Don Sarton: Christian Faith and Diversity**

This 6-week series, beginning on the season's first Recharge on Wednesday, September 14, explores our Christian faith, values, and beliefs to discover how we can deepen our commitments. We'll discuss how the Bible, written in ancient times by authors rooted in different cultures, shapes our faith today. Through the lens of our Christian faith, we'll begin to articulate how deepening our own faith enables us to enhance our Christian relationships with our Tri-Faith partners through embracing diversity and pluralism.

One exciting outcome will be a shared development and definition of the basic values and the Vision of God that calls us into relationship with our Tri-Faith partners. Please register at [www.countrysideucc.org/register!](http://www.countrysideucc.org/register!)

#### **Recharge Impact Speaker John McCollister**

Senator John McCollister presents *The Nebraska Unicameral: Unique in Every Way*, Wednesday, September 14, 6-7:30 p.m., in the Common Grounds Coffee Shop. Known for his independent voice, McCollister's issues include climate change, immigrant rights, public education, gun reform social safety net, unions and gerrymandering.

**The Nursery and Coffee House** are available if your small human needs to burn off some energy during the Worship.

For other small humans, there are Worship bags and books available. If you have a book suggestion, just let us know!

### **Sunday Flowers This Week**

Flowers were given today by Dan Loven-Crum  
in honor of the Countryside Staff.

# Joys and Concerns

Join us as we pray for our congregation members and their loved ones who are on our Joys and Concerns list every week on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. If you have someone you would like us to pray for, or a joy you would like to share, or if you would like to be included on the list in the bulletin or be on Countryside's Prayer Chain, contact Debbie Vihstadt at [debbiev@countrysideucc.org](mailto:debbiev@countrysideucc.org) or 402-391-0350 or 402.578.2900 (you may text her at this number as well).

## JOYS:

Congratulations to **Luke Gregory Martin, son of Katie and Joel Martin**, who was baptized Sunday, September 4. He was joined at the baptism by his big sister, Lauren and big brother, Cameron.

## CONCERNS:

**Leslie Summers-Day** would like to thank everyone for all the expressions of sympathy at the passing of her mom, Suzanne. She asks for continued prayers for her brother who is battling cancer.

Please pray for **Mark Draper**. He had a setback this week. His doctors think he may have had a seizure or mini-stroke. As of this update, he and Roxanne are waiting to see if he is going to be admitted to the Med Center, go back to Madonna, or can go home. Please pray for Mark's recovery and Roxanne as she helps take care of Mark during this difficult time.

**Jan Brown** requests prayers for her friend Jane who has been diagnosed with CLL, a type of Leukemia. Jane is receiving a unique treatment through Mayo Clinic because her genes prevent chemo. Please pray for her doctors, for Jane's body to accept the treatment, for Jane's family and for Jane to have the strength and endurance for the road ahead.

Please lift **Sally Classen** in prayers of love and healing. Please pray for her medical team as well to guide them to help Sally recover to full health.

**Mike (Jan) Brown** continues to progress in the right direction although it is sometimes very difficult. Please continue to pray for his continued recovery and success.

**Johnna Roberts** asks for prayers for her husband, Greg, and his health. He's very weak, falls often and has been diagnosed with early dementia. Please pray for comfort and strength for Greg and Johnna as they work together through this new diagnosis.

*God of Many Names,*

*Help me trust you with my decisions and future. Let me lean on you with all my heart instead of relying on my own imperfect understanding. Give me clear guidance in my life. I ask for your help to direct my path.*

Amen

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 2/4. It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "The beauty of this sacred place in spires our / The meal, the word, the art, the song, are but a / We look in to each person's eyes and see such / The beauty of this sacred place in spires our / hearts and minds to grow. We sing with love be-stowed by / glimmer of the whole, with joy-ful hearts, sing all day / long-ing hunger there. Re-spond with love to oth-er's / hearts and minds to grow. We sing with love be-stowed by / grace; from God all rich-est bless-ings flow. / long, God's bless-ings sa-tis-fy the soul. / cries, our neigh-bor's bur-dens glad-ly bear. / grace; from God all rich-est bless-ings flow."