## Solo: My Country 'Tis of Thee Text: Samuel F. Smith

My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From ev'ry mountainside
Let freedom ring!

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills,
Like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees Sweet freedom's song; Let mortal tongues awake; Let all that breathe partake; Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong.

Our fathers' God to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright,
With freedom's holy light,
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God our King!

# Solo: *America the Beautiful*Text: Katherine Lee Bates\* (1859-1929)

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

\* Katherine Lee Bates was a Congregationalist and a writer. She pioneered the study of American literature at Wellesley College and popularized the figure of Mrs. Santa Claus, among other things. Near the end of WW I she became a war correspondent for the New York Times.

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# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WAUWATOSA

Our Covenant

As followers of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God, to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith, to reach out with compassion to those in need, to treat each other with love and understanding, and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

# WORSHIP IN THE NAVE Sunday, July 4, 2021-10:00 a.m. Independence Day

Please silence your cell phones.

If you are a guest today, we would love to meet and greet you.

Everyone is invited to join us for Coffee Fellowship on Ridge Court following the service.

WELCOME Rev. Bill Trump

PRELUDE Eternal Father, Strong to Save by John Carter Jessi Kolberg, Keyboard Musician

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For freedom Christ has set us free.

PEOPLE: Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

Leader: Those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

PEOPLE: If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

HYMN SOLO Eternal Father, Strong to Save (verses 1, 2, 3) Brett Hanisko, Soloist

**MELITA** 

#### THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

O Lord our God, we acknowledge again our dependence on You. We thank You for the freedoms we enjoy in this great nation even as we confess our need of You. Forgive our sins. Heal our brokenness. Correct our foolishness. Quiet our fears. Restore our confidence. May Your love be reflected in all we do. Hear us as we pray the prayer Jesus taught us...

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

There is no Sunday School today. Children remain with their parents in the Nave.

Activity bags are available in the Narthex.

MISSION MOMENT

Robert Waite DryHootch Partners for Veteran Health

THE LESSON Mark 6:1-6

He left that place and came to His hometown, and His disciples followed him. On the sabbath He began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard Him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to Him? What deeds of power are being done by His hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not His sisters here with us?" And they took offense at Him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And He could do no deed of power there, except that he laid His hands on a few sick people and cured them. And He was amazed at their unbelief. Then He went about, among the villages, teaching.

SPECIAL MUSIC

*My Country 'Tis of Thee* Brett Hanisko, Soloist

THE MESSAGE "Listening?"

Rev. Trump

SPECIAL MUSIC America the Beautiful

by Samuel A. Ward

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

#### DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

HYMN SOLO

O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand

**DUKE STREET** 

(verses 1, 2, 4)

THE CHARGE and BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

America the Beautiful

by Eleanor Whitsett

#### CARE FOR CHILDREN

A nursery for infants and toddlers is available during the 10:00 AM service.

Today's Chancel flowers are given by Cathy Trump in honor of the 38th anniversary of the ordination of William S. Trump.

# **Caring Corner**

as of July 1, 2021

# Congratulations!

**The entire Sgarlata family** as they celebrate the adoption of *Joseph Charles on June 29, 2021.* 

Audrey Danielson on her 100th birthday this July 13th.

## In Our Prayers

David York is recovering at Froedtert Hospital.

# Born to Eternal Life

**Gene Halvorson** passed away on June 12, 2021. A memorial service is planned for September 16, 2021.

# WORSHIP PREVIEW FOR SUNDAY, July 11, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.

Rev. Bill Trump, Minister Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician Marj & Dean Fowler, Vocalists