

MAYFLOWER

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP

June 14, 2026

MAYFLOWER SUMMER SERIES: Journey Through Genesis

This summer we will sing, study, reflect, and pray through the first book of the Bible. We'll begin each week with a liturgical call to worship based on the Creation Story, and the sermon will explore the major stories as they unfold in Genesis.

PRELUDE

I Call to You, Lord Jesus Christ Jonathan Tuuk, guest organist
by Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Ruth Bell Olsson & Rev. Kent Dobson

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Rachael Cooley

CALL TO WORSHIP

Linda Chaffee

Leader: In the beginning...

People: God created the heavens and the earth, bringing order out of chaos.

Leader: And God separated the waters from the waters.

People: And it was good.

Leader: God called the waters seas and the dry land earth.

People: We gather in wonder before creation.

OPENING HYMN 8 (stand as you are able)

All People that on Earth do Dwell

OLD HUNDREDTH

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Dobson

GLORIA PATRI (remain standing)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rachael Cooley

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 18:1-15

Rev. Dobson

PEW BIBLE, PAGE 11

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Is anything too wonderful for God?

Rev. Bell Olsson

HYMN 47

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Dobson

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sing Ye a Joyful Song
by Antonin Dvořák

Kristi Burghart, soprano

Sing ye a joyful song unto the Lord, who hath done marvelous things. Praise the Lord all the earth!

Sing praises, shout and be joyful. Let the sea roar and all that is therein,
the round world and all they that dwell there. Lift your voices floods and tempests.

Mountains, clap your hands for you.

Let the fields laugh and sing with waving corn, and let all the trees of the forest be joyful! (Psalm 98:1-8)

DOXOLOGY (stand as you are able)

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.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Rev. Dobson

LORD'S PRAYER (remain standing)

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN 283 (stand as you are able) *Now Thank We All Our God*

NUN DANKET

BENEDICTION

Rev. Bell Olsson

POSTLUDE

Fughetta on B A C H
by Josef Rheinberger

Jonathan Tuuk, guest organist

Please join us for coffee in the Atrium after the service.

If you would like to provide treats for the Sunday reception,
please email Rachael@MayflowerChurch.org

Praises and Prayers

Last Sunday, one of our members had a medical incident during the service. She was taken to the hospital, and is home recovering and doing well. We are very grateful for how our church family responded in prayer, song, and communion. This is what it means to be a church family, to lift one another up in prayer in difficult times. The family is deeply grateful for your continued prayers.

PRAISE FOR THOSE WHO CELEBRATE

We give praise as **Ann and Don Kelley** celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on June 16. (6/1)

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Please pray for **Mary Newton** who had knee surgery on June 3 and also having neck surgery. (5/26)

Maris Rosema as she is struggling with severe sciatica and back issues. (5/19)

PRAY FOR FRIENDS OF MAYFLOWER

Prayers for Jon, nephew of **Rod and Barb Taber**, for healing from his addiction. (5/19)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO MOURN

We pray for **Mary Barr** and her family as they mourn the loss of her husband, **Lon Barr**. Lon passed away on June 5. A visitation will be at Mayflower on June 20 at 10 am, followed by a memorial at 11am. (6/8)

We pray for for the family of **Heidi Hertel**, long-time Children's Choir Director of Mayflower Church, who passed on May 22 in Morocco. (5/26)

Please pray for **Art and Marilyn Emery** as they mourn the death of their friend, Dave Lorah. Dave had leukemia and passed away on May 17. (5/19)

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth...God proclaimed them *good*.

As we pray for our world, let us pray with the heart of God. God loves the world God created and all of us who live in it. All of us. God desires peace, harmony and unity for God's people. May we be participants in bringing heaven to earth today and always. Amen.

If you would like to receive prayer, or make note of someone to be added to the weekly Prayer List, please contact the church office to be included on the list (616.459.6255 or office@mayflowerchurch.org.) Prayer Cards are also in the pews and collected during Sunday morning services.

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS

Your generous gifts ensure Mayflower's current and future ministry. Thank you.

For your convenience we offer electronic giving options:



Scan the QR Code with your phone to give/pay directly through E-Zekiel: no sign-up required.

Download the app and create an account for future secure scan-and-go transactions.



TEXT TO GIVE

On your phone, simply text the word: GIVE To: 6163446255 (no spaces) and then follow the prompts.

Weekly Calendar

**Words in italics denote partnering organizations that meet at Mayflower.*

Today, June 14

10:30am | Morning Worship

This Week

- 16 Men's Bible Study | 8am
Membership Mtg. | 8am
Ladies' Luncheon (Reds) | 11:30am
*Mobile Food Pantry (Downtown)** | 5pm
*Cub Scouts** | 6pm
- 17 *Al-Anon** | 7pm
- 18 69UP (Lovell Hand Center) | 5:30pm
*Boy Scouts** | 6:30pm
- 19 Men's Bible Study | 7am
- 21 Morning Worship | 10:30am

MAYFLOWER MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Last Tuesday of Every Month



We are excited to be hosting a Mobile Food Pantry at Mayflower Church in partnership with Feed America West Michigan. The last Tuesday of every month from 5-7pm in the lower parking lot, volunteers will give away high quality food to those in need. Come, be a part of this important and live giving ministry. Sign up now with the QR code provided before spaces fill. Contact Rachael@MayflowerChurch.org with any questions.

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

2345 Robinson Rd SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506 | 616-459-6255 | MayflowerChurch.org

Rev. Ruth Bell Olsson, Senior Pastor | Rev. Kent Dobson, Associate Pastor

Dr. Julia Brown, Director of Music & Organist

Rachael Cooley, Executive Director of Youth, Outreach, & Operations

Amy Dunham, Office Manager | Andy Ely, Business Manager

Murry Idema, May-Flowers Ministry | Rachel Blair, Congregational Care Coordinator

Kristen Van Stee, Communications Coordinator | Kathy Tetzlaff, Facilities

Dr. Mark Webb, Chancel Choir Director | Melia Colwell, Director of Children's Music and Worship

WE BELIEVE: Faith is a journey, God is good, Jesus saves, and the Spirit leads us to faith, hope, and love as we honor the dignity of all God's people.

THE TRIUNE GOD

8

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Psalm 100
William Kethe, ca. -1594

Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510-1561
Genevan Psalter, 1551

1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell,
2. The Lord, ye know, is God in - deed;
3. O en - ter then His gates with praise;
4. For why? the Lord our God is good,
5. To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,

Sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice;
With - out our aid He did us make;
Ap - proach with joy His courts un - to;
His mer - cy is for - ev - er sure;
The God whom heav'n and earth a - dore,

Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell,
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
Praise, laud, and bless His name al - ways,
His truth at all times firm - ly stood,
From earth and from the an - gel host

Come ye be - fore Him and re - joice.
And for His sheep He doth us take.
For it is seem - ly so to do.
And shall from age to age en - dure.
Be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more. A - men.

OLD HUNDREDTH
LM

"He," "Him," or "His" may be replaced by "God(s)" or "You(r)."

THE FATHER

Praise to God

THE TRIUNE GOD

47

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Lamentations 3:22-23

William M. Runyan, 1870-1957

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960

1. Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee;
 Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

Thou chang - est not, Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

As Thou has been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
 Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

FAITHFULNESS
11.10, 11.10 with Refrain

THE TRIUNE GOD



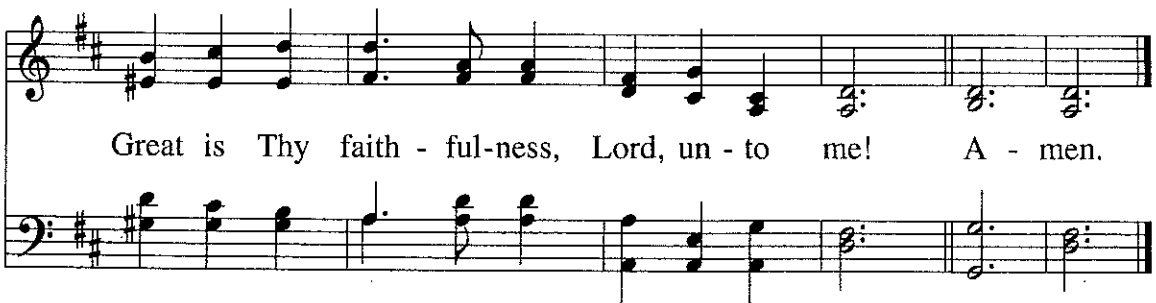
Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed—



Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me! A - men.

GOD'S REVELATION

283

Now Thank We All Our God

Martin Rinckart, 1586-1649

Johann Crüger, 1598-1662

Trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878

1. Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and
 2. O may this boun-teous God Through all our life be
 3. All praise and thanks to God The Fa-ther now be

voic - es, Who won - drous things hath done, In
 near - us, With ev - er joy - ful hearts And
 giv - en, The Son, and Him who reigns With

whom His world re - joic - es, Who, from our moth - ers'
 bless - ed peace to cheer us, And keep us in His
 them in high - est heav - en, The one e - ter - nal

arms, Hath blessed us on our way With
 grace, And guide us when per - plexed, And
 God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore, For

NUN DANKET
 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.6

"He," "Him," or "His" may be replaced by "God(ſ)" or "You(r)."
 Third verse: "The Son and Spirit reign, with God"

IN CREATION

GOD'S REVELATION

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'God's Revelation'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: 'count-less gifts of love, And still is ours to - day. free us from all ills In this world and the next. thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.'

Eternal God, high and lifted up and yet within us all,
we come, having spent too much time with our heads down,
and now have the need to be lifted up.

Let us be lifted to a spirit of adoration,
that we may see in life all that is beautiful and good,
excellent and of good report;
that the ugliness and disillusionment of life
may not cause us to be blind to Your love of life.

Lift us up to a spirit of confession.
Forgive us the sins that hurt not just ourselves
but those countless people, near and far,
for whom Your justice is unspoken,
Your kindness is not given,
Your healing is withheld by human neglect.

Lift us up to a spirit of thanksgiving.
Quicken our sense of gratitude for Your lavish heart,
Your gentle hand, Your strong word, Your quiet grace.
Recall to us the homes that have nourished us,
the friends who bless us,
the social securities which we enjoy,
the great books, great music, and great art
that have inspired our own creativity.

Lift us up to a spirit of intercession.
Save us from the narrowness of our sympathies.
Keep us from our constant provinciality.
Teach us afresh that our sins are often poison to this world.
Widen the borders of our care,
for the sake of our work on behalf of those
who carry burdens far too great for us to imagine,
and who find it difficult to be thankful
in absence of the common things of life—
food, shelter, clothing, and a sense of safety,
as well as the greater things of life—
justice, war, righteousness, healing, and peace.

Make real to us anew Him who loved us and gave Himself for us:
even Jesus Christ, for whom our thanksgiving is never-ending. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Thomas M. Richard