

## WATERFORD UNITED CHURCH

July 27, 2025  
Christmas in July  
Mae Bedford, LLWL

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME TO ALL OF YOU

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stay for refreshments after the service

### LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

### OFFERING

**Offering Song:** Jesus Hands Were Kind Hands VU #570

*Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all,  
Healing pain and sickness, blessing children small,  
Washing tired feet, and saving those who fall,  
Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.*

*Take my hands, O Jesus, let them work for you,  
Make them strong and gentle, kind in all I do;  
Let me watch you, Jesus, till I'm gentle too,  
Till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.*

**Offering Prayer:** In Gratitude and Humble Trust VU #544

*In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today to serve your cause  
and share your love with all along life's way. O God, who gave yourself to us  
in Jesus Christ, your Son, teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work  
is done.*

**OPENING HYMN:** Joy to the World VU #59

### MUSIC MINISTRY

**CHRISTMAS HYMNS:** Hark the Herald Angels Sing VU #48  
It came upon the Midnight Clear VU #44

### SCRIPTURES:

Psalms 36

VU page 762

**Refrain:** *Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens.*

**One:** Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens, your  
faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

**All:** **Your righteousness is like the mountains, O God, your judgements  
are like the great deep; all living things you save. (R)**

**One:** How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take  
refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**All:** **They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them  
drink from the river of your delights. (R)**

**One:** For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

**All:** **Continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your  
salvation to the upright in heart. (R)**

Luke 2: 1 – 20 Jesus birth

**HYMNS:** While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks VU #75  
Away in a Manger VU #69

**REFLECTION:** Christmas in July

**HYMNS:** Unto Us a Boy Is Born (verses 1,2,4 & 5) VU #54

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER

**CLOSING HYMNS :** Good Christian Friends, Rejoice VU #35  
Go tell it on the mountain VU #43

**CLOSING:** A Christmas Prayer VU #39  
*Generous God, you gave your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon  
him, and be born of your chosen one, Mary. Grant that we, who have been  
born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be  
renewed by your Holy spirit; through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.*

### POSTLUDE



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

As part of the Christmas In July festivities, there will be refreshments following today's service.

**AS A REMINDER....** after today **COFFEE HOUR** resumes on August 10. As you are able, it's appreciated for volunteers to take charge of coffee hour prep, set up and clean up. The sign up list is on the bulletin board in the auditorium. Thank you.

**FOR PASTORAL CARE** needs, contact the office for an appointment.

**A NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR SENDING E-TRANSFERS** has been set up for the church and is [wucdonations@gmail.com](mailto:wucdonations@gmail.com) . Please DO NOT send to Kim's usual e-mail for e-transfers. Her usual address is to be used for correspondence only.

### UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES:

Sunday, August 3	led by Cori Angus - Hymn Sing
Sunday, August 10	led by Rev. Gary Patterson
Sunday, August 17	led by LLWL Peggy Guiler
Sunday, August 24	led by LLWL Mae Bedford
Sunday, August 31	led by LLWL Mae Bedford



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**Worship Leader: LLWL Mae Bedford**

**Music: Chris Savory**



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Waterford United Church is a place where everyone is welcome regardless of their ability, age, class, ethnicity, gender, race, or sexual orientation.

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