

**Covenant United Methodist Church**

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15th Sunday after Pentecost  
Virtual and Outdoor Worship Bulletin**

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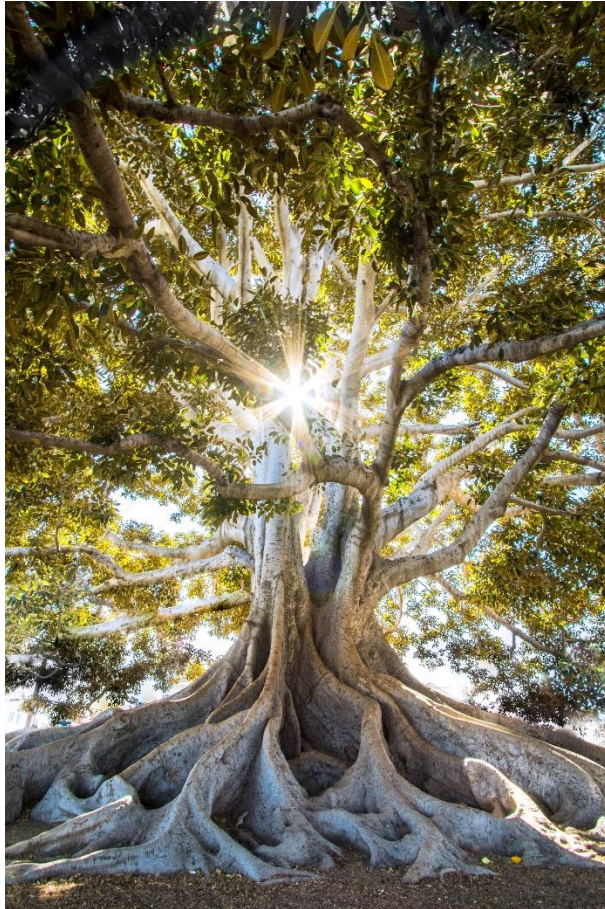


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*Beguilded by Beauty  
Beauty, Contemplation, and Radical Compassion*

## WE GATHER

Video: Threshold Moment

Silent Centering

Opening Prayer

Divine Goodness, Holy One,

Pause us for this moment, bear us up in this time, hold us for eternity.

We offer ourselves in connection with you.

We allow ourselves this love from you.

We release ourselves into your presence.

And all the people say, “**Amen.**”

Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

Chancel Choir

## WE PROCLAIM

Searching for Beauty: A Time for Children

Special Music

For the Beauty of the Earth

John Rutter

Duet: Anita Stonebraker and Nancy Wilcox

Piano: Kathy Herman

Lectio Divina

Ezekiel 31: 3-7 (Inclusive Bible)

Sermo Divina

Beauty, Contemplation, and Radical Compassion

Pastor Dawn

## WE RESPOND

Blessing of the Backpacks

Prayers of the People, and Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Offering

Passing of the Peace

WE GO FORTH

Hymn

As A Deer  
Chancel Choir

Benediction

Benediction Response

For the Beauty of the Earth  
Solo, Laurie Augustino  
Piano, Kathy Herman

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