

Bloomfield Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

An open and affirming congregation

August 9, 2020

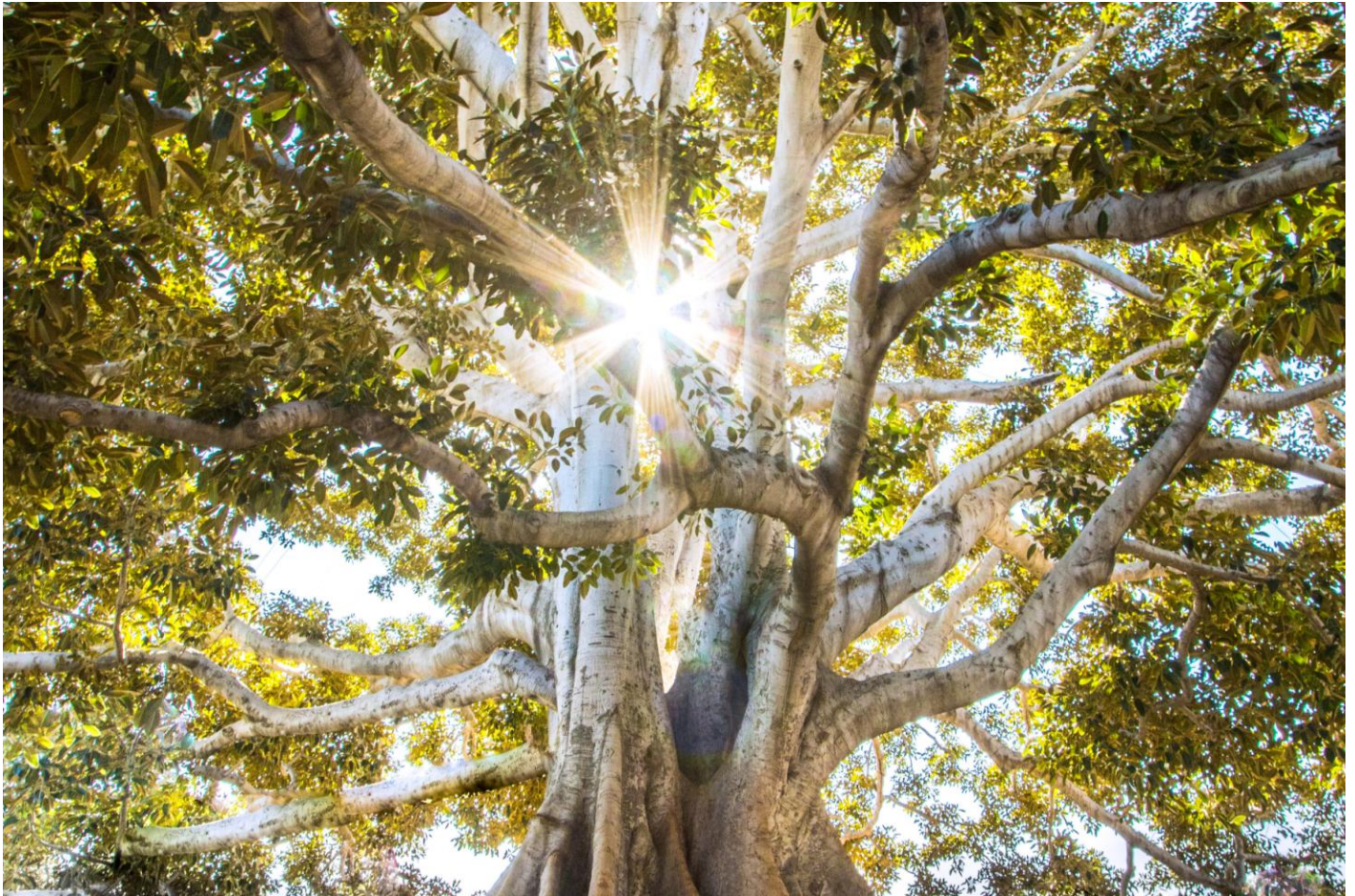


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“Creation Frustration from A-Z”

The Heart of Bloomfield



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10 Wintonbury Avenue, Bloomfield, CT 06002
Gathered as Wintonbury Parish February 14, 1738
Renewing our faith as people of God
10 a.m. Sunday, August 9, 2020



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY AS GOD'S PEOPLE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: Today we celebrate God's Creation.

All: We rejoice in the beauty of nature!

One: Today we lament the damage being done to God's earth and God's people.

All: We join the Spirit with sighs too deep for words, praying for renewal.

One: Today we claim the Hope that God has promised.

All: We step out in faith, waiting with breathless anticipation for revelation!

AMEN!

OPENING HYMN: *"All Creatures of Our God and King"* (Lyrics on screen)

UNISON PRAYER:

God of Heaven and Earth, God of the sunrise and the sunset, God of the highest mountain and the deepest valley, hear our prayers as we come before your throne of glory. Declare your message to us and grant us the courage to listen. May our listening turn to action. May our actions touch the hearts of those who need to hear your voice. We put our trust in you knowing that it is well placed in your gentle and caring hands. Amen.

— written by Rev. Kim Gilliland (kgilliland@gosfieldtel.com) of the United Church of Canada.

MUSICAL OFFERING

A Selection from Wayne Dixon

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "trespasses")

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever, Amen!

HEARING GOD'S WORD

*God is here. God is still speaking!
Let us open our hearts and minds to God's Good News.*

SCRIPTURE READING ~

Romans 8:18-28

Reader is Lucy Hurston

SERMON

"Creation Frustration from A - Z"

Rev. Larissa Forsythe

OFFERING OUR THANKS AND PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

"OFFERING": *Help us grow The Kingdom of God here on earth.* You are invited to provide an offering using your Tithe.ly app, by using the "Give" button on the screen above, or using the "Give" button on the church website. You may also send a donation by mail. Please reach out with any questions. And, as always, this is an *opportunity* to give, *never* an obligation.

OFFERTORY MUSIC ~

"Fill Me Up With the Holy Spirit"
The Adult Choir, Carrie Wilson, Soloist

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

HYMN

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

(Lyrics on screen)

BENEDICTION

Please join us for "Bring Your Own Coffee, Coffee Hour" via Zoom after the service.

Join Zoom Meeting **Join Zoom Meeting** (for Video and Voice using a computer, smart phone, iPad or other similar device) <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86431459633>

Meeting ID: 864 3145 9633

To **Call** in (with **VOICE** only), call: (929) 436- 2866 Meeting ID: 864 3145 9633

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Welcome to Bloomfield Congregational Church Online!

We hope you find your time with us to be meaningful.

Bathrooms can be found...um, heck, we don't know where your bathrooms are, but we sure hope you do! Please wash your hands (even after Covid-19 is gone).

*If you need one, a **Changing Station** can be found somewhere in your home hopefully...☺.*

Children are ALWAYS WELCOME in service, no matter whether it's online or in person.

The sounds of infants, children are welcome here, just as Jesus welcomed them.

The sounds of adults are welcome too! (No need to be the "Frozen Chosen" here!)

If you have any questions, let us know and we'll make sure to get you an answer!

STAFF

Rev. Shawn R. Fisher, Pastor

Eustace Straker, Minister of Music

Dorine DeCarli, Director of Faith Formation

Malachi Mouning, Administrative Assistant

Shantel Bremmer, Director of Child Development Center

Michelle Alves, Building Manager

HOW TO REACH US:

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Call the Office: (860) 242-0776

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The Child Development Center can be reached at 860-242-0183 or
preschool@FirstChurchBloomfield.org.

Pastor Shawn may be reached for normal church communications by calling the office at 860-242-0776 ext. 201 or by email at fishersr@comcast.net.

In the event of an emergency, you may call Pastor Shawn on his personal cell # of 860-428-7024

We are also on Facebook and



YouTube!