AN ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR THE GATHERED COMMUNITY Woodridge United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 6th, 2025

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Wally Jeske: Call upon the Lord! I asked for help and I was healed!

Many Voices: We asked for freedom, and we were given liberty beyond measure!

Praise God!

Wally Jeske: Sing to the Lord, all you faithful; give thanks to God's holy name.

Many Voices: God turned our mourning into dancing! The Great Tailor took away

the sackcloth and dressed us up in celebration!

Wally Jeske: Our hearts sing without ceasing!

Many Voices: O Lord our God, we will always give you thanks!

*Opening Hymn "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" (verses 1-3) UMH #584

*Passing the Peace

Opening Prayer

Wally Jeske: Merciful God, you send us out into the world as your disciples. Allow the church to be a healing presence, a place and a people that live out the essence of your kingdom, here and now; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

All: Amen.

Offering Ourselves

Blessing our Gifts with Music

*Doxology

*Offering Praver

All: Compassionate God, who strengthens us for the journey of faith, we bring these gifts in response to your call to sow seeds of love and justice. May our offerings build up the family of faith and extend your grace to the world beyond. Help us not to grow weary in doing good but to serve with joy and perseverance, trusting that the harvest of your Spirit will bear fruit in due season. Unite us as your new creation, made whole through Christ's love and empowered by your Spirit. In gratitude, we dedicate all that we have and all that we are. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Lesson 2 Kings 5:1-14 (NRSVue)
New Testament Lesson Galatians 6:7-16 (The Message)
Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20 (NVSVue)

Wally Jeske: The Word of God for the People of God.

Many Voices: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Song "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" TFWS #2153

Proclaiming "What Goes Around Comes Around" Rev. Debbie Fisher

Praying

Joys & Concerns Wally Jeske
Prayers for the People Rev. Debbie Fisher

Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn "America the Beautiful" UMH #696

*Dismissal with Blessing Rev. Debbie Fisher

Going Forth to the World