



Bellflower UMC

June 18, 2023

Third Sunday after Pentecost

GREETINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING 🎵

Here I am to worship. Here I am to bow down.

Here I am to say that You're my God.

You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,

Altogether wonderful to me (2x)

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Welcome, you who are called as disciples of Christ! Is
anything too wonderful for our God?

**Nothing is too wonderful for God
who saves us and calls us!**

¹ Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, December 2022.

We remember the goodness of God who promised Abraham a multitude of descendants and then showed up at Abraham's door to announce that the promise would be fulfilled.

**Nothing is too wonderful for God
who promises and fulfills promises!**

We remember the compassion of Jesus who noticed the distress of his neighbors and acted to bring them healing and wholeness.

**Nothing is too wonderful for God
who heals and restores the distressed!**

We remember the invitation the Spirit extends to us to join in God's work of compassionate community building.

**Nothing is too wonderful for God
who empowers us to transform strangers into
community through active love.**

As we worship, may we receive the promise, the compassion, and the invitation to be disciples of Christ who join in God's work of making disciples for the transformation of our households, our community, and our world.

Because nothing is too wonderful for our God! Amen.

SCRIPTURE Genesis 18:1-5,9-14a

HYMN 🎵 464. I Will Trust in the Lord

PSALM Psalm 100

HYMN 🎵 519. Lift Every Voice and Sing

NOISY OFFERING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER - #895

RESPONSE 🎵

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline Thine ear to us,

and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 5:1-8

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 9:35-38

SERMON

RESPONSE

Apostles' Creed

OFFERING & PEACE

DOXOLOGY - #95 🎵

HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH²

As you go from this place, go together and trust that when we follow the joy of God's call into the unknown, God will equip us and empower us for the work ahead because nothing is too wonderful for God! **Amen.**

POSTLUDE 🎵

Go Now In Peace

Bellflower UMC spreads God's love within our church family and throughout our communities and world using our prayers, our gifts and our service; thus to become a shelter of love and a community of compassion..

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If you would like a prayer, a visit, a meal, to have Holy Communion brought to your home, or have any other need, please contact any church member or Pastor Rob (309-722-1500, rob@methodist.cc).

² Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, December 2022.