



Vital Connections,
Abundant Fruit
Rooted in Christ, Called to Serve

Sunday, October 17, 2021

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Chris Winkler, Senior Pastor BUMC

HYMN

O Blessed Spring

Seth Durbin, Jenna Hesseln, Patti Mangis

- 1 O blessed spring, where word and sign
embrace us into Christ the Vine:
here Christ enjoins each one to be
a branch of this life-giving Tree.
- 2 Through summer heat of youthful years,
uncertain faith, rebellious tears,
sustained by Christ's infusing rain,
the boughs will shout for joy again.
- 3 When autumn cools and youth is cold,
when limbs their heavy harvest hold,
then through us, warm, the Christ will move
with gifts of beauty, wisdom, love.
- 4 As winter comes, as winters must,
we breathe our last, return to dust;
still held in Christ, our souls take wing
and trust the promise of the spring.
- 5 Christ, holy Vine, Christ, living Tree,
be praised for this blest mystery:
that word and water thus revive
and join us to your Tree of Life.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Wendy Witt, Senior Pastor First UMC West Dundee

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

**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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 15: 1-8

1 In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

SERMON

“ *Vital Connections* ”

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ANTHEM

I Am the Vine

John Michael Talbot

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INVITATION TO MINISTRY AND BLESSING

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

MUSICIANS:

Vocal Ensemble — Seth Durbin, Jenna Hesseln, Patti Mangis

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