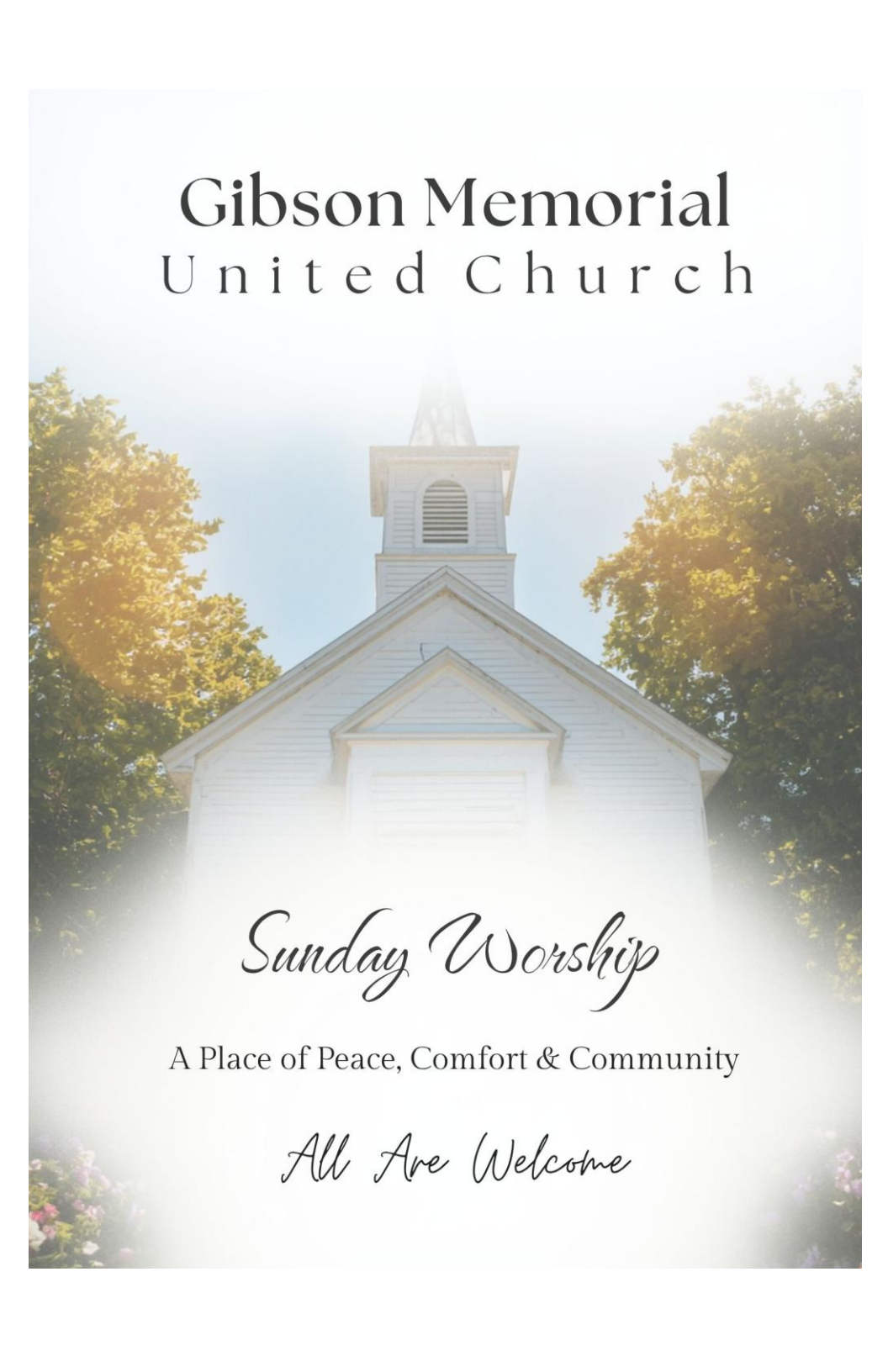




Gibson Memorial United Church

Sunday Worship

A Place of Peace, Comfort & Community

All Are Welcome

Sunday Worship Service

August 2, 2026, at **10:00AM**

Emancipation Sunday

* Standing or sitting freely according to each one's physical condition.

We Gather to Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST AND RAINBOW CANDLES

CHORUS FOR WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST: TLUS 30

We Are a Rainbow

We are hope to still believe in tomorrow's better day,
We are peace in a world that's torn apart,
We are joy that will last in all the struggles that we face,
We are love that blooms and grows in every heart.

We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky
Paint the world in colours proud and bold and free

CALL TO WORSHIP:

But in the depths of my heart, I truly know that You, Yahweh,
have become my shield; You take me and surround me with
Yourself. Your glory covers me continually. You lift my head.

***OPENING HYMN: We Praise You, O God**

VU 218

OPENING PRAYER (*in unison*):

But I will give my thanks to You, Yahweh, for you make everything right in the end. I will sing my highest praise to the God of the highest place!

As God has greeted us, so let us greet each other.
At this time, feel free to welcome and greet your neighbor.

OFFERTORY and PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY RESPONSE:

TLUS 4

**Glory to the Creator,
and the Christ and the Spirit so near,
as it was from the start so it shall be forever
one God, always here, one God, always here,
one God, always here.**

***OFFERING PRAYER**

The Word of God Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE: Luke 5:27-32, Luke 19:1-10

***HYMN: God of the Bible**

MV 28

MESSAGE: Jesus - Friend of Sinners

MUSICAL REFLECTION

We Respond to God's Word

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN: May the God of Hope**

VU 424

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BLESSING:

TLUS 104

May the peace of Christ be with you.

May the love of God dwell deep in your heart.

May the Spirit enlighten your way.

May you walk in the comfort of God's care.

POSTLUDE

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Announcements

Congregational Information:

A warm welcome is extended to everyone who worships with us today. **Please join us in the hall for refreshments and fellowship following the service.**

About our Hymn Selections: Today we we're experimenting with using digital music out of necessity. Please sing along to the video on the screen.

Upcoming Services At a Glance:

TODAY	10:00am	Shared Service / Rev. Mike Bravener
Aug 9-30	10:00am	Shared Service / Rev. Mike Bravener
Sept 6	11:00am	Return to Regular Services
Sept 13	11:00am	Welcome Back Sunday

Church Office:

Please be advised that the church office will be closed Monday, August 3rd for New Brunswick Day and Tuesday, August 4th for a vacation day.

Worship Committee:

Important Reminder: **Summer Shared Services** - FHUC – hosted services for 5 weeks in June (June 28th to July 26th). GMUC will host services for 5 weeks in August (August 2nd to August 30th). **The summer service start time will be 10:00 AM for both churches.**

There will be **no Sunday School** during the month of August, however, activity packages are provided for any children attending during this time. These can be picked up in the narthex.



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