

A Time of Worship & Praise

15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 1, 2024

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Gathering Music: *How Great is Our God*

video

*Call to Worship

We are called to be people of faith in the midst of the world,
and so we mix our worship and our work, our faith and our life.

We gather here as people who live in the world and yet,
**we gather as people who have been called to see the world
from a different viewpoint.**

God has called us together, God has called us to be part of a community.
**God challenges us to consider questions of priority
as we engage with the world.**

*Opening Prayer

**Worker God, whose hands built the earth, molded our bodies,
and sowed the stars across the sky, we gather in your presence this morning
with praise and thanksgiving for your mighty deeds.
Meet us here, strengthen our hearts and our hands to work with you
in the building of a world filled with justice and peace.
Amen.**

*Gloria Patri

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Kids Minute

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

**God of Light, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

Scripture: Genesis 1, 2.1-3; James 1.17-18, 21-22, 27

This is the Word of the Lord!

May it be written upon our hearts.

Sermon: *Labor of Love*

Blessing for Workers and All Seeking Work

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Around Christ's Table

Invitation

Prayer of Confession & Words of Assurance

**God of truth, you have spoken your Word to us and in us
But we have not listened to you. We have not been mindful
of your presence, or attentive to your voice. Have mercy on us,
forgive us, and heal us. Speak your Word in us now, and create us anew.
We open ourselves to your Grace. Amen.**

Adapted, Steven Garnaas-Holmes

Hymn: *I come with Joy* (vv. 1-3)

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Offering

*Doxology

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*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

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Sharing the Bread & Cup

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE


*Benediction

Hymn of Joy: *Maker in Whom We Live* (vv. 1-3)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW Upper Rooms start today! Pick up your large/regular print copy in the front entry.

 **Holiday Yard Sale – September 14**
Time to clean those closets for Outreach’s Holiday Yard Sale!
 Bring your extra holiday decorations (yes, ANY holiday), priced-to-sell by Sept 8.
 The ladies are raising mission monies at the Fall City-Wide Yard Sale, Sept 14, selling Holiday Only items, coffee & rolls & lunch!

Wed, Sept 18: Wednesday Connections

- ✝ 5:30 pm Supper – all are welcome
- ✝ 6:00 – 7:00 pm – Kids, Youth & Adult Groups

Watch for details – and listen to the Spirit for the ways you can be a part of our midweek ministries


Sun, Sept 22: Sunday School Begins

- ✝ 8:45 am - Adult Sunday School
- ✝ During Worship - Children’s Church

Coming Up

- ◆ **Mon, Sept 2:** Labor Day – Office Closed
- ◆ **Tues, Sept 3:** Card Club 12 pm; Bible Study, 1:30 pm
- ◆ **Wed, Sept 4:** Spiritual Formation Team, 6 pm (FLC)
- ◆ **Thurs, Sept 5:** Horizons, 1:00 pm; Just 4 Kix 4:15 pm; AA, 7:30 pm

Worship Stewards	Today	Next Week
Liturgist	Sarah Frederick	Randy Becker
AV	Hudson family	Kogel family
Livestream	Randy Becker	Jodi Ward
Counters/Ushers	Cal Christensen	Shayne K/Tony S

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Do not deceive yourselves by just listening to his word; instead, put it into practice.

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10:00 am