

*Order of the Worship Service  
Sunday, July 28, 2024, 10:00am  
Cathy Hamrick, preaching*

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life

\*Call to Worship

We come to this place of holiness,

**to hear God speak to us**

**and to hear the words of peace, hope, joy and love.**

We come to this place,

**to find the One who has been looking for us.**

We come to this place,

**to be embraced by the One whose heart is never locked.**

**Let us worship God!**

\*Opening Hymn 467

HOW GREAT THOU ART

Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

**Inviting God, you welcome us to share our weaknesses and failures with you.**

**Tempted to think your salvation is for a select few, we put up barriers for others.**

**Clinging to all you give to us, we are reluctant to share with those in need.**

**Surrounded by evil and violence, we find it easier to close ranks with those just like us,  
rather than seek peace and reconciliation for our world.**

**Forgive us, O God.**

**Open our eyes to our sisters and brothers all around us.**

**Open our ears to your words of hope.**

**Open our spirits to the presence of Jesus,**

**that all might find life with you. Hear us now, in the silence**

**of these moments, as we confess to you what is ours alone to confess. . . . Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

The God of all grace, who has called you by name,

will restore, support, strengthen, and guide you.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Hallelujah! Amen!**

Passing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you!

**All: And also with you!**

Moment for Youth

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

Hymn of Preparation 333

SEEK YE FIRST

Scripture Reading

*Matthew 25:14-30 & 1 Corinthians 12:7-27*

Sermon

*Discipleship: Where in the World is Macedonia? (Acts 16:6-12)*

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Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn 422

GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING

Blessing