Order of Worship NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30 am – July 21, 2024

Participating Live?

Text your prayer requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.

PRELUDE

Eternal Source of Light Divine
David Wheatley, organ
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G.F. Handel

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Fran Turner, liturgist

Wait for the Lord, like those who hope in God's mercy.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Watch for God, like those who eagerly await the morning.

We watch for God, whose power redeems us.

Hear God's hopeful word, like those who long for pardon.

Sing praise to God and rejoice in God's love.

OPENING HYMN

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

UMH 400

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- 1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

 Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.

 Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.
 - 2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come; and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
 - 3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

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

Genesis 2: 8-20 (NRSV)
The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**Matthew 13: 1-23 (NRSV)

Fran Turner, liturgist

Pastor David

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (Children and Youth come to the steps for a word from the pastor)

PREPARATION HYMN

Breathe On Me, Breath of God

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- 1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
 - 2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.
 - 3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
 - 4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

MESSAGE

"We are all Sowers"

Pastor David Jamir

Musical Response

Adagio
David Wheatley, organ
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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Everything we have comes from you. May we reflect your generosity in our giving whether bringing our tithes and offerings to thy service or helping others in need. May we also choose to respond in a godly way with our environment and be good stewards. Bless these gifts of our hearts to enrich our ministry here and globally. In your name we pray. Amen.

SENDING HYMN Jesu Jesu UMH 432

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Refrain: Jesu, Jesu,

fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them. (**Refrain**)
- 2 Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are near and far away. (**Refrain**)
- 3 These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love; all these are neighbors to us and you. (**Refrain**)
 - 4 Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves, this is the way we should live with you. (**Refrain**)
 - 5 Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet, this is the way we should live with you. (**Refrain**)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fugato in F. Major David Wheatley, organ Public Domain A. Herbert Brewer

Prayer Requests

Altadena UMC —Pastor Andre Wilson

Holliston UMC—Pastor Joseph Choi

Cameron Friend—health issues

All those suffering from illness or loss of loved ones.

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