EVENING WORSHIP

If you would like to give your tithe this evening, please place it in the wooden offering box located in the narthex before or after the service.

Reflection

Prelude

Call to Worship • Psalm 148:1-5a

Hymn of Adoration • *All Creatures of Our God and King* #115 (vv.1-2,5)

Opening Prayer

Children age 4–6th grade may meet the Kids Praise leaders in the narthex during the final verse of the following hymn.

Hymn of Praise • I'll Not Be Shaken (Psalm 62)

Prayer Requests

Hymn of Preparation • He Will Hold Me Fast

Scripture Reading • Philippians 4:4-9

Sermon • Rejoicing in Hardship

Philippians 4:4-9, p.982 Rev. Mike Farley

- 1. Rejoicing: the path from anxiety to peace (vv. 4, 6-7, 9)
- 2. Thinking (v. 8)
- 3. Praying (v. 6)

September 24, 2023

Hymn of Response • *Jesus, I Come*

Benediction

Postlude

Guest Preacher

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Musicians – Bekah Marsh; Piano & Vocals

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