

A Service of Song, Word, & Table
October 12, 2025

* Please rise in body or spirit.

WELCOME

PRELUDE Hört Ihr Völker, Gottes Stimme J.S Bach Amanda
Porter, soprano/Maria Dickinson, violin

Translation:

*Hear, you peoples, God's voice;
Hurry to God's throne of grace.
The cause and end of all things
Is God's only-begotten son,
That everything may turn toward the Divine.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Whether we live in an apartment or a house;
if we reside in the suburbs or the city:
God tells us to pray for the places where we live.
Whether we are exiles or prisoners for the gospel;
if we are young, old, insider, outcast:
God says, 'when you search for me, you will find me.'
Whether we have been wandering and lost;
or if we have lived in the same place all our lives:
**God says, 'I will gather you from all your places
and bring you home.'**

* **HYMN** Come, Thou Almighty King UMH 61

A READING FROM THE HISTORIES **2 Kings 5:1-3,7-15c**
This is the Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God!

MUSICAL RESPONSE We Come to You For Healing, Lord

We come to you for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul,
and pray that by, your Spirit's touch, we may again be whole.

As once you walked through ancient streets and reached toward those in pain,
come, risen Christ, among us still with power to heal again.

When nights are long with wakefulness, through days when strength runs low,
grant us your gift of patience, Lord, your calming peace to know.

We come to you, O loving Lord, in our distress and pain,
in trust that through our nights and days your grace will heal, sustain.

Tune: Land of Rest (PD)

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr.

HOMILY

(11:00) MUSICAL RESPONSE Be Thou My Vision Kyle
Pederson Chancel Choir/Maria Dickinson, violin

Call to Reconciliation

Despite our foolish and angry words, God continues to speak of mercy to us. Despite our best efforts to be faithless in our living, God remains faithful in keeping the promise to forgive us and restore us to wholeness. Let us confess our sins to God, so that God's hope and grace might endure in our brokenness.

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

God beyond borders, we know that on our way to worship, we may not have noticed the exiles in our neighborhoods. We admit how easy it is for us to wander down the streets of temptation, pausing at the corner of easy choices. We fall silent in the presence of those who speak words of anger and hate. We tolerate a culture that suspects all who are different from us.

Have mercy on us, O God, for surely you take the side of justice. Open our hearts to all the wonders you are performing in our lives. You gift us with those of other cultures, that our lives might be blessed. You send us friends out of places we least expect, that our community might

be enriched. You call us to be generous with our blessings, so others might be graced with the gift of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is kept

Assurance of Pardon

God challenges us, God encourages us. God confronts us, and God accepts us. God works wonders in our midst and gives us the eyes, the hearts, the souls to see such miracles.

God forgives us, God guides us through the wilderness of the world, God leads us home. Thanks be to God. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

REGATHERING HYMN
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I Have Decided to Follow Jesus TFWS

INVITATION TO OFFERING & CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

May our gratitude be offered with these gifts in these moments, praying that what we share with others will bring them healing, hope, grace, and peace. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

OFFERTORY We Walk By Faith Karen Marrolli Grace Notes

DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sung responses by Bill Tune

May the God of joy be with you.

And also with you.

People of God, open your hearts to the One who does wonders for you.

We offer our hearts to God, who plants gardens of peace within us.

Children of God, sing praises to the One who leads us to this place.

We join all creation in singing our thanks God, our Creator.

On that first glad morning, Architect of glory,
you built the house of creation
 for us to dwell in with peace as our neighbor;
you planted gardens in the valleys and meadows
 that we might be fed by your goodness.
But we chose to live in death's dim exile,
believing sin would provide a better home.
You sent the prophets to us,
carrying words of promise and hope,
 but we refused to return to you.
So, seeking the welfare of all creation,
and longing to restore us to wholeness,
you sent Jesus of your heart to us.

With all the earth that worships you,
with all brought to spacious places,
we sing your glory forever:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are
full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, God of peace and hope,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, our Healer.
Your Word sent from glory,
 he came that we might see
 what you are doing for us.
Your Freedom for all your people,
 he set free the gospel which
 shatters the chains of our oppression.
Your Hope from the foundation of creation,
 he went through the regions
 of sin and death that we might
 enter the wonders of your kingdom,
singing praises to you as we travel your Way.

As we celebrate our redemption,
as we remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead,
we sing that mystery we call faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

On this glad morning, Loving God,
pour out your Spirit on the gifts of the Table,
and on those who gather at your feast.
As we are strengthened by the Bread of life,
 send us forth to plant gardens,
 sharing the harvest with those who hunger.
As we are nourished by the Cup of hope,
 give us the tools to build homes
 for those who live in poverty's grip.
As we are filled with the Spirit of service,
 may we have the courage
 to use our hearts and voices
 to break the chains of those
 who live in oppression's exile.

And when that glad morning of resurrection comes,
when we gather with the exiles of every time and place,
our sisters and brothers who were ever faithful,
we will rejoice in you forever,
God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (SPOKEN IN YOUR HEART LANGUAGE)

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.

R3 Amen, amen, amen.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Dr. Daniel Cummings

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*** SENDING HYMN** It Is Well With My Soul (vs 1,2,4) UMH 377

BENEDICTION

Jesus said to the leper,
“Get up and go on your way.
Your faith has made you well.”
Let us all claim Jesus ’healing
and liberation in our lives.
Get up and go on your way!
In Jesus ’name,
your faith has made you whole
And all God’s people say:
Amen.

POSTLUDE

Dr. Daniel Cummings