

Service of Worship
October 13, 2024
21st Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 90:12: “So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.”

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship – (*Hebrews 4:12-16 CEB version*)

Because God’s word is living, active, and sharper than any two-edged sword. It penetrates to the point that it separates the soul from the spirit and the joints from the marrow. It’s able to judge the heart’s thoughts and intentions. No creature is hidden from it, but rather everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of the one to whom we have to give an answer. Also, let’s hold on to the confession since we have a great high priest who passed through the heavens, who is Jesus, God’s Son; because we don’t have a high priest who can’t sympathize with our weaknesses but instead one who was tempted in every way that we are, except without sin. Finally, let’s draw near to the throne of favor with confidence so that we can receive mercy and find grace when we need help.

Hymn of Gathering #12 *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, we confess that sometimes we feel distant, abandoned in our suffering, and overwhelmed by the weight of our struggles. We cry out to you and feel unheard. We admit impatience when you seem far off and doubt when we do not sense your presence. We acknowledge our tendency to turn away in times of trouble rather than trust. Forgive us when we fail to remember that you are with us, even in the darkest valleys and for doubting your goodness and faithfulness when we face trials and hardships. Help us to trust that you hear us and fill us with the assurance of your presence, even when we cannot see the way forward.

Silent prayer

In the name of Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Scripture: Psalm 22:1-15

Sermon

Rev. Todd Davidson

Music for Meditation

Offering

Doxology – Hymn #582 *“Glory To God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me”*

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace had pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People/The Lord’s Prayer

Hymn of Sending #314 *“Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness” vs. 1,2,5*

Benediction