

Service of Worship
October 26, 2025
20th Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 84:2: My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Blessed are those whose strength is in the Lord
and whose hearts journey with the Lord,
for even when they pass through the dark times in life,
the presence of the Lord will make it a place and source of life.

Hear our prayers, O Lord God Almighty,
and be our comfort and safety.
Let your Holy Spirit watch over us
and guide us as we worship you together.

Hymn of Gathering #401 **“Here in This Place”**

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, even though it’s easy to throw stones, we admit how often we are more Pharisee-like than we should be. We measure ourselves against others and take comfort in perceiving superiority. We trust our achievements, reputations, and routines, patting ourselves on the back and forgetting what comes from you. We value pride over humility, and judgment over grace. Forgive us, O God. Humble and open our hearts, so we see ourselves and others with compassion. Teach us to pray with honesty and live with gratitude.

Silent prayer

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

Declaration of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Luke 18:9-14 (p.1016)

Sermon

Rev. Todd Davidson

Music for Meditation

Offering

Doxology - #606 **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People/The Lord’s Prayer

Hymn of Sending #694 **“Great God of Every Blessing”**

Benediction