

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE *Sinfonietta* G.F. Handel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS John Ranson

***CALL TO WORSHIP** UMH # 828
O give thanks to the Lord, call on God’s name, make known God’s deeds among the peoples!
Sing to the Lord, sing praises! Tell of all God’s wonderful works!
Glory in God’s holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!
Seek the Lord and his strength; seek the Lord’s presence continually!
Remember the wonderful works God has done, the miracles and judgements God has uttered,
O offspring of Abraham, God’s servant, children of Jacob, God’s chosen ones.

***OPENING HYMN** *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”* UMH #139

***OPENING PRAYER**
O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, that we may know the joy you give your people. Amen
(Ruth Duck, USA, 20th century)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 37:12-28

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Romans 10:5-15

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH #895

***PRAYER HYMN** *My Lord, What a Morning* arranged by K.L. Phillips
Soloist, John Wilt

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Megan Gould

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *Just as I Am* Johnson/Bradbury

***DOXOLOGY** UMH #95

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 14:22-33

SERMON “Why the Doubts?” Rev David Westmoreland

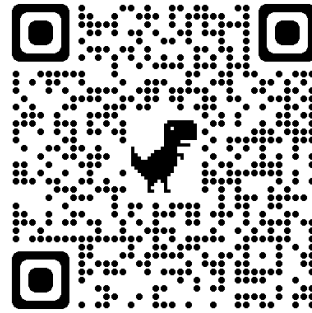
***CLOSING HYMN** *“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”* UMH #110

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**
Go forth in peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen

POSTLUDE *Fantasie in C Minor* J.S. Bach

**Please stand as you are able*

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