

**Morning Worship**  
**Tenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**August 9, 2026**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**(Responsive)

Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary;

**praise him in his mighty heavens!**

Praise him for his mighty deeds;

**praise him according to his excellent greatness!**

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

**Praise the LORD!**

(Psalm 150:1-2, 6)

**Adoration**

**Opening Hymn**

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place (TH469)

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,  
while everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,  
each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"

"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room,  
when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;  
else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;  
send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race  
may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

**Invocation**

**The Lord's Prayer**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## **Reception of New Members**

### **Confession**

#### **Call to Confession**

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 5:3-10).

#### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

Almighty God, rich in mercy to all who call upon you: hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness; and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our fellow man. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; and of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Silent Confession of Sin**

### **Assurance**

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation (Romans 5:8-11).

### **Thanksgiving**

#### **Offertory**

## **Doxology**

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

## **Offertory Prayer**

## **Petition and Intercession**

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Silent Prayer for the Salvation of Others**

## **Instruction**

## **Hymn of Preparation**

O Great God

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart.  
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel power.  
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war!  
You have loved and purchased me; make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice,  
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys.  
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me!  
Through the gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace;  
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.  
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed!  
O great God of highest heaven, glorify Your Name through me!

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## **New Testament Reading**

1 John 5:18-21

**Leader:** The word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God!

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Psalm 135

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## **Sermon**

Psalm 135

## Communion

### Hymn of Preparation

Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry Poor

Lord, we adore Thy boundless grace, the heights and depths unknown,  
Of pardon, life, and joy, and peace, in Thy beloved Son.

CHORUS: Come, all ye pining, hungry poor, the Savior's bounty taste;  
Behold a never-failing store for ev'ry willing guest.

O wondrous gifts of love divine, Dear Source of ev'ry good;  
Jesus, in Thee what glories shine! How rich Thy flowing blood! CHORUS

Here shall your num'rous wants receive a free, a full supply;  
He has unmeasured bliss to give, and joys that never die. CHORUS X2

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### Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Sursum Corda

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And with your spirit.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

## **Congregation: It is good and right to do so.**

We welcome to Communion (also called The Lord's Table or The Eucharist) all baptized Christians who have received and are resting on Jesus alone for salvation, and are communing members of any church that faithfully proclaims the gospel. If that does not currently describe you, we invite you to participate by observing but not partaking of the elements – in part because of the warnings Scripture gives those who partake of the Supper without discerning its spiritual significance; but also because we don't want you to express something with your body that isn't true of your heart and mind, namely, that you're trusting in and depending on Jesus as your Lord and Savior. We invite you to take this time to consider what you've seen and heard in the worship service, including Jesus' love for sinners as it is portrayed in this meal. There's also a prayer below for those considering Christianity that you might wish to pray. If this raises questions or concerns, we welcome them and invite you to address them to our pastor or elders.

*Prayer for those searching for truth:* Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If you are real, please open my heart and mind to the truth of who you are and what you have done in your life, death, and resurrection. Give me faith to trust you for salvation and satisfaction, and to follow you as my Lord. Help me to see this as the only way to the life you promise and for which I long. Amen.

*Prayer for Christians:* Lord, you have prepared for me a feast; and though I am unworthy to sit down as a guest, I rest on the merits of Jesus, and come clothed in his righteousness. While I see the bread and the cup, may I ponder why Jesus died and hear him say, "I gave my life to purchase yours, presented myself as an offering to satisfy divine justice, shed my blood to blot out your guilt, opened my side to make you clean, endured your curses to set you free." May I obey, extend the hand, take the bread, receive the cup, eat and drink, testify before all that I gladly receive Jesus to be my life, strength, nourishment, joy, delight. In the Supper give me assurance of pardon, adoption, life, and glory. As the outward elements nourish my body, may your Spirit invigorate my soul, until that day when I hunger and thirst no more, and sit with Jesus at his heavenly feast. Amen.

- excerpted and adapted from *Valley of Vision*, "The Lord's Supper"

## **Charge and Blessing**

### **Closing Hymn**

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (TH679)

"Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word;  
just to rest upon his promise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood;

just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood! [Refrain]

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;  
just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace. [Refrain]

I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end. [Refrain]

## **Benediction**