



Sunday, August 2, 2026
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

During the Prelude, you are invited to meditate on the Psalm of the Day as you prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Welcome and Gathering Prayer

Nathan Wannemacher

Psalm of the Day – Psalm 25:4-5

Show me your ways, Lord,
teach me your paths.
Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.

Prelude

Prelude in C Major BWV 545
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

Introit

"I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me"
Music: Austin C. Lovelace

***Call to Worship – Psalm 92:1-2**

Peter Chen

Leader: It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O
Most High,

**People: proclaiming your love in the morning and your
faithfulness at night.**

***Hymn of Praise – #554 "Let All Things Now Living"**

Prayer of Confession

Peter Chen

Leader: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

People: In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon – John 3:16-17

Leader: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

People: For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

God's Gracious Will for Our Lives – Matthew 22:34-40

Leader: Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

People: All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

***Gloria Patri #579** “Glory Be to the Father”

RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

Children’s Message

Nathan Wannemacher

Prayer of Illumination

“Your Word Is a Lamp to Guide Me”

Music: Rolf Schweizer

Old Testament Reading – Matthew 16:5-12 (p. 983)

Peter Chen

New Testament Reading – Matthew 17:1-8 (p. 984)

Sermon

“What’s for Dinner? The Yeast of the Pharisees”

Nathan Wannemacher

***Hymn of Response** – “In Christ Alone” (*see insert*)

PROFESSING WHAT WE BELIEVE

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius

Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and

the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

Invitation

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Leader: With joy we praise you, gracious God...

Words of Institution

Leader: Therefore, we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament saying:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayer of Consecration

Leader: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit...

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray saying:

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 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.

The Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings Dennis Kuriakose, Elder for
Personnel, Property & Planning

Offertory

"Teach Me, O Lord"

Music: Gershon Kingsley

Chris Hux, Tenor
Ruth Pfister, Piano

***Doxology #592** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

Prayers of the People

Dennis Kuriakose

GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING

Welcoming of Visitors

Dennis Kuriakose

Announcements

***Hymn of Dedication – #343** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

***Sending and Benediction**

Nathan Wannemacher

Postlude

Little Fugue no. 8 in B flat Major BWV 560
Johann Sebastian Bach

Ruth Pfister, Organ

Please remain quietly seated during the postlude. If you need to leave, please do so quietly.

****Please stand if you are able.***

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