



SUNDAY WORSHIP

July 17, 2022 9:00 am

*“We exist to reveal the presence and character of God in the world,
being transformed as we participate in God’s transforming work.”*

-Tod Bolsinger

Chimes and Prelude

Empathy
Ivan Trevino

*Call to Worship

We come today to listen for hope, to pray for strength, and to experience God’s love.

Speak to us of faith, hope, and love, O Lord.

Trusting that God is here, we gathering in response to Christ’s calling.

Lead us to your still waters, O Lord.

With shouts of praise and songs of thanksgiving,
we come to celebrate the God of hope, the Spirit of peace,
and the Christ of redeeming love.

We come to pray. We come to sing. We come to worship | God.

*Hymn # 49

The God of Abraham Praise

*Prayer of Confession

**God who birthed the cosmos,
in our busy lives, we do not always make time to praise you.**

**We want to be strong, yet we often feel out of control:
buffeted by the winds of change,
burned by the fires of doubt.**

Too often we live in ways that do not reflect your love.

Help us trust your presence, even when we feel utterly alone.

**With the promise of Christ as our hope,
lead us from our wilderness wanderings
into the kingdom you are inviting us to build and dwell within. Amen.**

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

The steadfast love of God is with you—
yesterday, today, and tomorrow.
Whether you turn away or doubt,
whether you follow timidly or joyfully,
you are loved and forgiven in Christ.
Thanks be to God.

***Response**

Meineke

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

As Passing of the Peace concludes, children are invited to meet their teachers at the back of the Sanctuary for VBS. Parents can pick their children up at 10:30 in Social Hall (ground floor).

Welcome & Ministry Updates

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 22:19-28

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Special music

Fantasia
David Sabella

Prayers of the People and 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.**

***Prayer of Dedication and Doxology**

Old 100th

**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.**

*Hymn # 683

Lord of All Hopefulness

(it will be sung in a different tune than the one printed in the hymnal)

Prayer for Illumination

Holy One, prepare us to receive your word. As we listen, open our souls to your sustaining Spirit. Free us, that we may hear and trust the promise of your love.

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 8:43-48

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Sermon

“Never Out of Reach”

Elgin Bailey

*Affirmation of Faith

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary;
suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Hymn # 63

The Lord Is God

*Blessing and Response

Postlude

A Modern Approach to Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D Minor
arr. Reid Simmons and David Sabella

**You are invited to stand as you desire.*

Leading us in worship today are Elgin Bailey, guest preacher; Rev. Caroline Cupp, Executive Pastor; Bob Smith, liturgist; Reid Simmons, organ; David Sabella, percussion; Sofia Bobrysheva, cantor.