

**Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost**  
**Theme: Moving Toward Benediction**

**Sunday, August 25, 2024**



**“Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord, our hope  
and our salvation.” Psalm 130:1**

### ***GATHERING***

*Prelude:* “Fantasia on ‘Duke Street’” David Paxton

Greeting and Welcome to Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: Disciples of Christ, have you come today to receive a good word?

**People: Yes! We come to receive a good word to sustain us in our living and carry with us wherever we go.**

Leader: God blessed David in his prayers and supplications. Are we ready to pray?

**People: Yes! We come to pray for a future for all of the believing community, our churches, and our world.**

Leader: God strengthens us when we come together to worship. In this way we support one another. Are we ready to worship?

**People: Yes! We come to worship God together as we share in the good word of God’s grace.**

Leader: Then, come! Let us worship with rejoicing!

**People: Then we will carry God’s blessings with us into the world around us.**

Leader: Praise God ! who gives us wisdom when we come together as the family of God! AMEN

\*Hymn: #451 “Open My Eyes, That I May See”

\*Prayer of the Day

**Holy God, Keeper of the Covenant, when we walk the slippery roads of the world not caring where they lead, we plead redirect our paths. When we say we want wisdom yet foolishly squander the knowledge you give, reclaim us to**

**follow You. Turn greed to generosity. Transform pettiness to worthy praise. For all who are led away by the simple seductions of our society, or trust untruths, lead us all toward a full view of all that You intend. Indeed, the path is straight and narrow. AMEN**

Declaration of Assurance

### ***PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD***

Scripture: 2 Samuel 22-24 (*selected verses*)

Sermon: **“Moving Toward Healing and Hope”**

Hymn: #43 “You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord”

### ***RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD***

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Holy God, in this moment of offering, we stand before you, acknowledging your boundless wisdom and unfailing love. As we present our gifts, we also lift our prayers for guidance and understanding. Grant us the wisdom to discern your will and the courage to walk in your ways. Bless these offerings and our lives, so that we may continue to worship you in spirit and truth. AMEN**

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn: #810 "When in the Night I Meditate"

Charge and Benediction

*Postlude:* "With a Song Ringing" Ross Anderson

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor  
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

**Prayers of the Congregation**

**Prayer Person this week: Earl Miller**

**The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of Joyce Moore Hamme  
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