



**Reaching Up, Reaching Out
Welcoming Everyone,
Serving in God's Love**

July 31st 2022
9:30 AM

Order of Worship July 31st, 2022

Lord Jesus, touch this congregation so we may learn from your Word and be strengthened by your nourishing love to go out and serve our neighbors.

Boldface type: The congregation speaks in unison

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Andante
David Atkins, Pianist

(Galpin)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Our lives are in the care of God.

God has given us abundance and hope.

This day we have come to praise and thank God for all that God has done for us.

We gather to celebrate God's love and to offer our lives in service.

Come, let us open our hearts to the Lord!

Let us rejoice in God's goodness and love.

HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

#121 vs.1,2&4

1. There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.

2. There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good! There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.

4. If our love were but more simple, we should rest upon God's word; and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.



Surprising God of mercy and love, thank you for calling to us this day. We praise you that you challenge us to show our faith in ministries of peace and justice, offering compassion to all in need. Open our hearts and minds today to hear your words of encouragement and challenge. We offer this prayer in Jesus' Name. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Dominique
 Laura Daillak, Sherry Atkins, Liz Heacock,
 Kathie LaFee, David Atkins & Richard Warne
 Handbells

(Nabors)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 107:1-9, 43

Sharon Holmes

Thanksgiving for Deliverance from Many Troubles

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north and from the south. Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them. Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress; he led them by a straight way until they reached an inhabited town. Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind. For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things. Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

HYMN**Help Us Accept Each Other**

#560 vs.1-4

1. Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us, and bring us to believe we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.

2. Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some, to love them as we find them, or as they may become.

3. Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved in living situations to do the truth in love; to practice your acceptance, until we know by heart the table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.

4 Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread, we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on; renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

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SECOND SCRIPTURE

Luke 12:13-21

The Parable of the Rich Fool

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal God, from the reading of the Scriptures, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

SERMON

Rev. Doug Williams

RESPONSE**Sweet Hour of Prayer**

#496 vs.1

1. Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of
distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare
by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.



LORDS PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious God, because of Jesus you understand how difficult it is for us to stand against injustice, to bear the pain, to pay the cost. Yet in faith, we choose to give sacrificially, so that Christ's work of which we are a part, may go forward. Bless these gifts for these holy purposes. Amen.

HYMN

Loving Spirit

#2123 vs.1-4

1. Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

2. Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own, feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.

3. Like a father you protect me, teach me the discerning eye, hoist me up upon your shoulder, let me see the world from high.

4. Friend and lover, in your closeness I am known and held and blessed: in your promise is my comfort, in your presence I may rest.

BLESSING

PEOPLES RESPONSE

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place

#328

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place, I can feel His mighty power and His grace, I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

POSTLUDE

Blessed Assurance
David Atkins, Pianist

(Boch)



Prayer Request

... from Kelly Lafee, for Pendra's brother and sister-in-law who lost their house in the Mariposa Fire.

... from Priscilla Capulong, please pray for my nephew Jeffery who was admitted to the hospital on Monday and got an Angiogram and will get a Quadruple bypass surgery on Tuesday. Thank you.



Worship Leaders for Today

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Sharon Holmes

Organist-

Richard Warne

Pianist-

David Atkins

Cantors -

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