

OCTOBER 5, 2025

COMMUNION SUNDAY @ 8:30 AM & 10:30AM



PRELUDE	
ROCK OF AGES.....	RONDA CALLOWAY
WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP.....	REV. BILL SPARKS
OPENING SONG	
O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING.....	( VS. 1,2 & 4 ) # 57
MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES.....	DR. KEVIN M. JAMES SR.
PRAYER CONCERNS.....	CONGREGATION
PRAYER HYMN	
SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER.....	( VS. 1 & 2 ) # 496
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER.....	( 8:30 ) REV. SPARKS ( 10:30 ) REV. WATERS
ACT OF GIVING.	
IN REMEMBRANCE.....	MUSICIANS
DOXOLOGY.....	CONGREGATION
SCRIPTURE READING	
1 SAMMUEL 18:1-5.....	CONGREGATION
WE COME THIS FAR BY FAITH.....	CHANCEL CHOIR
MESSAGE	
WHAT A FRIEND - 1 SAMMUEL 18:1-5 .....	DR. JAMES
HYMN	
WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS .....	( VS. 1 & 2 )# 526
COMMUNION RITUAL.....	CLERGY & CONGREGATION
COMMUNION HYMNS	
ONE BREAD, ONE BODY.....	HYMN #620
THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD .....	HYMN # 622
SENDING FORTH.....	CLERGY

## SERMON NOTES

Title: What A Friend

Text: 1 Samuel 18:1-5( MSG )



By the time David had finished reporting to Saul, Jonathan was deeply impressed with David—an immediate bond was forged between them. He became totally committed to David. From that point on he would be David's number-one advocate and friend. Saul received David into his own household that day, no more to return to the home of his father. Jonathan, out of his deep love for David, made a covenant with him. He formalized it with solemn gifts: his own royal robe and weapons—armor, sword, bow, and belt. Whatever Saul gave David to do, he did it—and did it well. So well that Saul put him in charge of his military operations. Everybody, both the people in general and Saul's servants, approved of and admired David's leadership.



What is a friend?



What significant event happens between David and Jonathan?



How does Saul react to David's growing popularity?



What does this passage reveal about God's favor on David?

