

## 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – September 26, 2021; 9:15am

### Gathering Music and Announcements

**Hymn of Praise**                      *To God Be the Glory*                      UMH 98

**Welcome to the Table**                      *Communion*

**Hymns**                      *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*                      UMH 126  
   *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*                      UMH 140

We declare at the doorway into this season of Autumn, that our trust is not in any man or woman to fulfill us, nor is our trust in circumstance, or a belief that the days ahead will be easy.

We do not expect, in this Season, for our every prayer to be answered in a way we would like.

**You are in control, and we release our lives to you.**

We put our trust in this: that You who have been with us through seasons past, will be with us now.

If you go ahead of us, we will go; if you go behind us, we will go.

This is our prayer: In all things that happen this season we ask that we would be aware of Your presence, O Lord. In this walk that will always be by faith and not by sight, let us perceive Your nearness.

But in those moments in which we cannot sense You near, let us see with the eyes of faith the marks of Your presence all around us, beneath us, carrying us boldly into Your future.

**With You we walk, with confidence and trust, into this new season.**

**In Your Name we pray, living Lord Jesus, Amen.**

**Prayer Song**                      *Speak to Me*

I am Your servant, and I am list'ning Speak to me Lord speak to me  
I need Your wisdom Your truth and comfort Speak to me Lord speak to me  
Speak to me speak to me Through Your word through Your Spirit

Speak Your words of life Speak to me speak to me  
I am list'ning I am waiting speak to me

### **Silent Prayers of Confession**

#### **Words of Assurance** (Rahab's Lullaby)

He is God above, He is God below, He is God of everything between  
There's no place you'll be where He cannot go Look at my face, these eyes have  
seen I know the Lord! **Amen.**

**Scripture** John 14:9; Psalm 46:10

**Sermon** "Goin' on a God Hunt" Rev. Deb Lampton

**The Examen Video**

**Blessing**

*To God Be the Glory*

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he  
gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the lifegate  
that all may go in.

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord,  
praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!**

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of  
God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon  
receives. **Refrain**

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing  
thru Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our  
transport, when Jesus we see. **Refrain**

### *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing, an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing. As with mother's tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band: To God all praise and glory.

Thus, all my toilsome way along, I sing aloud thy praises, that earth may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises. Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body bear your part: To God all praise and glory.

### *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

Summer and winter and spring time and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **Refrain**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **Refrain**



**Continued Prayers:**

Art Benson, Paul Bowden, Pat Grahe, Stephanie Juchs Hiedbreder, Nancy Jenkins, Wes Jenkins, Emmanuel Kai, Lynn King, Tim Knabe, Carol Lingelbach, Ted Lingelbach, Dick Moen, Sally Moen, Alice Paradise, Jack Potter, Pat Potter, Shirley Renshaw, Annie Stearn, Ron Stearn, Jackie Waltemeyer, Mike Wolf, Shirley Yantz

**We extend our sympathy to:**

Emmanuel & Cecelia Kai and family on the passing of his brother on 9/17/21

The family and friends of Anne Brown on her passing on 9/20/21