



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 20, 2024 11:00 AM

As a courtesy to
others, please
silence your phone.

from Psalm 84

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

RINGING OF THE BELLS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Timothy T. Boggess

PRELUDE

The Gift of Love

arr. Steven Phillips

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carrie Mills

How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

**Our hearts and our flesh sing for joy
to the living God.**

Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.

**For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.**

Let us worship God!

*HYMN 394

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious,
binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever,
and our confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call you,
come, O Lord of hosts, and stay;
come, with all your loving-kindness;
hear your people as we pray,
and your fullest benediction
shed within these walls today.

Here bestow on all your servants
what they seek from you to gain;
what they gain from you, forever
with the blessed to retain;
and hereafter in your glory
evermore with you to reign.

Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever three and ever one:
one in might and one in glory
while unending ages run!

* Please rise in body
or in spirit.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of wisdom,
forgive our foolishness.
We desire what we do not need
and corrupt our relationships with envy.
You urge us to gentleness,
but we stir up conflict.
Give us your grace,
that we may harvest righteousness and peace,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our teacher, we pray.

(a moment for silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

***SONG OF JOY 623** (vv. 1 & 2) *I've Got Peace Like a River*

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river, in my soul. (twice)

I've got joy like a fountain;
I've got joy like a fountain;
I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul. (twice)

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

Climbin' Up the Mountain
(The Chancel Choir)

arr. William Henry Smith

Refrain:

Climbin' up the mountain, children,
didn't come here for stay,
and if I nevermore see you again,
goin' to meet you at the judgement day!

Moses went down into Egypt land,
he told ole Pharaoh,
that the good Lord sittin' on His heavenly throne
said "Let my people go!" good Lord!
"Let my people go!" (Refrain)

Daniel in the den of lions,
he did begin to pray,
and the Angel of the Lord locked the lion's jaw.
That sure was a mighty day, good Lord,
sure was a mighty day! (Refrain)

Children in the fiery furnace, they did begin to pray,
and the Angel of the Lord put the fire out.
That sure was a mighty day, good Lord,
sure was a mighty day! (Refrain)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 3:7-12

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Showing the Love
Rooted and Grounded in Love - Stewardship 2025

Rev. Boggess

GROW NOTES

What would you like
to do for God in the
community or the
world?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Carrie Mills

**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.**

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Wendy Miller

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

arr. Steven Phillips

***DOXOLOGY 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Carrie Mills

**We worship God in the world by standing
before the Lord on behalf of all people.
Our cries for help and our songs of praise
are never for ourselves alone.
Worship is no retreat from the world;
it is part of our mission.
We serve humankind by discerning
what God is doing in the world
and joining God in this work.**

From *A Declaration of
Faith* (1977)

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 301 (v.v. 1, 2, 4 & 5)** *Let Us Build a House*

TWO OAKS

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: (Refrain)

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: (Refrain)

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: (Refrain)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Rev. Boggess

POSTLUDE

Postlude in Classic Style

Gordon Young

The postlude concludes our worship today. It's the custom of this congregation to sit and enter into this moment with gratitude and celebration.



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