



**David's United Church of Christ
July 30, 2023
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Online Worship Bulletin**

Prelude – "Children of the Heavenly Father" Swedish Fold Melody, arr. Cindy Berry
"You Are My Hiding Place" Michael Lerner, arr. Mark Hayes
Tim Williams & Lyn Morton

Welcome & Announcements – *Pastor Emily Phillips*

Hymn – "Seek Ye First" (see below for Lyrics)

Call to Worship – *Kevin Craig*

One: Come! Let us gather in the presence of God.

Many: In God's presence we find the community we seek.

One: Come then as a new community, a family of God's people and sing the praises of God's holy name.

Many: Our voices shout out our praise to God, and our thankfulness of being once again surrounded by our chosen family.

One: Our doors are wide open; the family is gathered. Come! Let us worship God!

All: Amen! Let us worship our loving God!¹

Invocation

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Children's Moment – *Lyn Morton*

Mission Moment

Invitation for Support – www.davidsucc.org

Offering our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Music – "Hallelujah/Your Love is Amazing" Brenton Brown & Brian Doerksen,
arr. Carol Tornquist

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Christ all creatures here below.

Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter.

One God Triune whom we adore. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn – “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” (see lyrics below)

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession – **Creator God, we have pursued futile plans, without seeking your guidance. We have resisted the way you would have us go. We demand proof before we will believe, yet close our eyes to your wonders on every hand. We do not seek the power of your words and Spirit to expand our lives and them useful. Oh Holy One, we need a new outlook and the self-discipline to embrace your peace here and now. Amen.**²

Words of Assurance

Prayers of God’s People, Silent Prayers & Our Lord’s Prayer

Special Music – “Could it Be” Michael Card
sung by *Kevin Craig*

Scripture Lessons – Hebrew – 1 Kings 3: 5-12
Epistle – Romans 8: 26-39
Gospel – Matthew 12: 24-30, 36-43

Sermon – *Pastor Emily Phillips*

Hymn – “I Am Thine, O Lord” (see below for lyrics)

Benediction

Postlude – “A Tune for Trumpet” Gilbert M. Martin

¹ Call to Worship from *Shaping Sanctuary: Proclaiming God’s Grace in an Inclusive Church*, edited by Kelly Turney, ©2000 by Reconciling Congregation Program.

² Unison Prayer of Confession adapted from *Fresh Winds of the Spirit, Book 2* by Lavon Baylor, © 1992 by The Pilgrim Press.

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Seek Ye First

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D Al - le - lu - ia, D G Al -

1. Seek ye first the king - dom of God and his
 2. Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and

D Em7 A7 D F#m
 le lu ia, Al le -

righ-teous - ness, ye shall find; and all these things shall be
 knock, and the door shall be

G D G D A7sus A7 D
 lu ia, Al le - lu - ia!

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

WORDS: Karen Lafferty, 1972 (Mt. 6:33; 7:7)
MUSIC: Karen Lafferty, 1972

SEEK YE
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1. Je - sus, price - less trea - sure, source of pur - est plea - sure,
 2. In thine arms I rest me; foes who would mo - lest me
 3. Hence, all thoughts of sad - ness! For the Lord of glad - ness,

tru - est friend to me, long my heart hath pant - ed,
 can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing,
 Je - sus, en - ters in. Those who love the Fa - ther,

till it well - nigh faint - ed, thirst - ing af - ter thee.
 ev - ery heart be quak - ing, Je - sus calms our fear;
 though the storms may gath - er, still have peace with - in;

Thine I am, O spot - less Lamb, I will suf - fer
 sin and hell in con - flict fell with their heav - iest
 yea, what - e'er we here must bear, still in thee lies

naught to hide thee, ask for naught be - side thee.
 storms as - sail us; Je - sus will not fail us.
 pur - est plea - sure, Je - sus, price-less trea - sure!

1. I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it
 2. Con - se - crate me now to thy ser - vice, Lord, by the
 3. O the pure de - light of a sin - gle hour that be -
 4. There are depths of love that I can - not know till I

told thy love to me; but I long to rise in the
 power of grace di - vine; let my soul look up with a
 fore thy throne I spend, when I kneel in prayer, and with
 cross the nar - row sea; there are heights of joy that I

arms of faith and be clos - er drawn to thee.
 stead - fast hope, and my will be lost in thine.
 thee, my God, I com - mune as friend with friend!
 may not reach till I rest in peace with thee.

Refrain

Draw me near - er, near-er, bless-ed Lord, to the
 near - er, near - er,

cross where thou hast died. Draw me near - er, near - er,

near-er, bless-ed Lord, to thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side.