



*"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."*

*– Hebrews 12:1*

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 17, 2025 – Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

*(\*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary to stand. All speak words in **boldface**.)*

PRELUDE

"Hymne"

VANGELIS

Lynn Auman, Violin

Chad Hammer, Cello

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*(Please take a brief moment to greet those around you)*

CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY

OPENING WORDS & PRAYER *(adapted from Psalm 80)*

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

Stir up your might and come to save us!

You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.

You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches;

It sent out its branches to the sea and its shoots to the river.

Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven and see.

**Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

\*HYMN #187

“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

BRADBURY

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Ever-loving God, we confess that we are not always ready to trust your love. You call us to step forward in radical faith, but we cling to what is familiar, comfortable and non-controversial. You are eternally at work in the world, but we struggle to discern your presence in the signs of the times. Forgive us, O God. By your grace, give us courage to stand for what is right and good and to risk love and justice even when it is unpopular. Teach us faithfulness and perseverance for the journey ahead. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.**

## SILENT PRAYER

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: #581 “Glory Be to the Father”

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 11:29-12:1

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE [11:00]

SPECIAL MUSIC [11:00]

“Ave Maria”

FRANK SCHUBERT

Lynn Auman, Violin

Chad Hammer, Cello

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 12:49-56

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

“By Faith”

Rev. Dr. Bill Young

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *(from A Brief Statement of Faith)***

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

*\*Response: Hymn #606 "Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow"*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*praise him all creatures here below;*

*praise him above ye heavenly host;*

*praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*\*Prayer of Dedication*

**\*HYMN #306**

**"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"**

DENNIS

**\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

**"Rondeau"**

GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL

Lynn Auman, Violin

Chad Hammer, Cello

Guest Minister: Rev. Dr. Bill Young  
Ushers: Patsy Calhoun & Linda Stackhouse  
Welcome Table: Bart Norwood  
Greeter: Sarah Henry  
Liturgist: Wayne Tillman  
Acolyte: Seamus Smithwick

***As a courtesy to others, please take a moment to silence your cell phone  
before our worship service begins.***

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