\*The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## **Announcements & Introduction and Welcome of New Members**

Wendi Singletary

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place. We offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, by God's grace.

\*Sung Benediction

Follow You Anywhere

Wickham, Ingram, Stanfill, & Younker

You are the refuge I run to. You are the fire that leads me through the night. I'll follow You anywhere. There's a million reasons to trust You. Nothing to fear for You are by my side. I'll follow You anywhere.

## **Organ Postlude**

## PASTORAL STAFF

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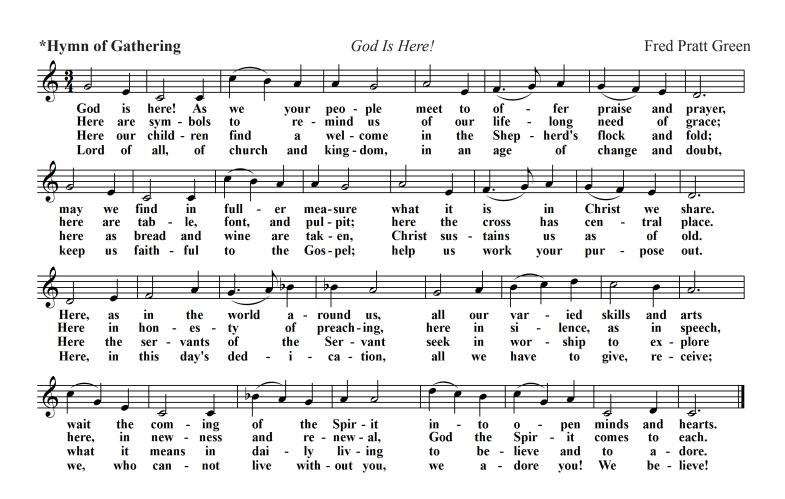


READ THE TOWER



September 7, 2025

Welcome Wendi Singletary



\*Opening Prayer Jill Hatcher

\*When the worship leader invites the congregation to stand, you are welcome to stand in body or spirit as you are able.

\*Song of Commitment

Wickham, Ingram, Stanfill, & Younker



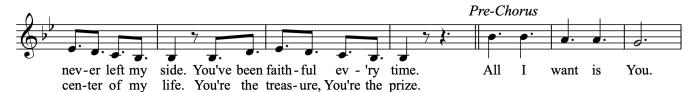
Je - sus, You came to my res - cue. Took my place up - on that cross. You re-



in-to my life. deemed what I had lost.

You make it eas - y to trust You.\_\_ Now my whole world re-volv-ing a-round You.\_\_

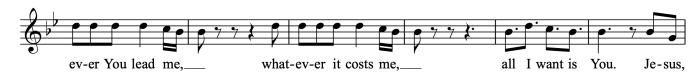
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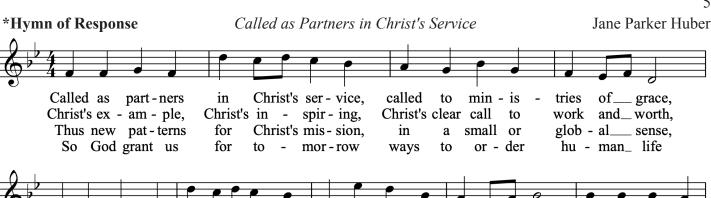






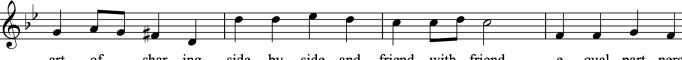






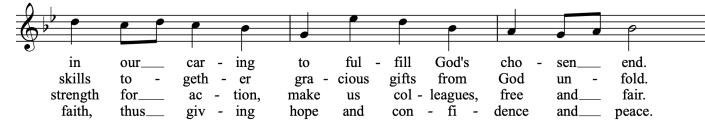
we re-spond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to\_\_\_ trace. May we learn the let us fol - low, nev - er\_\_ fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on\_\_ earth. help us bear each oth - er's\_ bur - dens, break-ing down each wall or\_\_\_ fence. that sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quers strife. Make us part-ners

Men and wom-en, Words of com-fort,



side by side and friend with\_friend, shar - ing, rich - er,\_\_\_ all God's peo - ple, young and old, poor - er, vi - sion, words of chal-lenge, said words of\_\_\_ with\_ care, our com - pas - sion our\_\_ liv - ing, to in - crease,

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\*Prayer for the Offering

Sharon Watson

**Offertory** Speak Lord Tom Trenney

You are the way, the truth, and the life. You are our hope, our vict'ry o'er the strife. You are our peace, our calm upon the sea. Bringing good news to the oppressed, you call us to set the captive free! Speak, Lord, for your servants are list'ning. Speak, Lord, how we need to hear from you. Give us courage to speak, Lord, Till injustice is silent. Speak your words of love in all we say and do. You come to heal our broken heart,

To comfort as we mourn, just mercy to impart. Dream the dream till justice rolls down like water, Righteousness like a mighty stream. Give us sight to see the world through the eyes of a stranger. Help us hear the beauty of a language not our own.
Set our hearts to beat with compassion for our neighbor. When we love each other, you are seen and known. Lord, teach us to live and love like you.

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Luke 14:25-33

Deb Starnes and John Entzminger



Children's Message Wendi Singletary



Message

More Costly Than Gold, More Beautiful Than Diamonds

Meredith Stone