



Our Worship of God

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 18, 2026 | 10:30am

Guests, welcome! We would love to know you.

You are invited to complete the Welcome Card in the pew rack in front and place it in the offering plate or you can scan the QR code on the card to respond electronically. There is no pressure - this is simply a way for us to connect. **We are glad you are here.**

+ This symbol invites you to rise in body as you are able, or in spirit.

Welcome and Life of the Church

Krissi Vandagriff

Gathering Prayer

Voluntary

For the Beauty of the Earth

J.D. Frizzell

Chancel Ringers

Opening of the Bible and Lighting of the Candles

Brandt Fillingham

Call to Worship

Sing to the Lord a new song! Everyone, even the rocks and trees, sing!

Let us shout out in praise!

God does great things for us. See God's amazing works all around us.

Great is the Lord!

Tell of God's wonders! Share stories of God's glory.

Let us worship the Lord!

+ Hymn 50

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Praise

John Forbis

Choral Music

Creation Sings

Sanctuary Choir

Ludwig van Beethoven | arr. Tom Trenney

Creation sings of our God's grace and glory. The sky gives adoration and praise.

The sun and moon shine God's light on all the nations.

The earth and sea resound with praise.

The flowers and forests blooming in beauty reveal the wonders of God's love.

All living creatures unite in thanksgiving, a melody our voices raise.

In harmony, we sing God's praise.

Hymn

At the Weaving of Creation

MICHAELIS

(See Back)

Psalm of Lament

Psalm 94:1-15 (The Message)

Hal Morse

Song

Wait for the Lord

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly whole and half notes. The lyrics are: 'Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!' The score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line.

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Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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Call to Confession

Kim Willis

We come to worship because we believe in the goodness of God
who loves mercy, seeks justice, and hears the cries of those who suffer.
Yet we come knowing that we don't always bear that goodness in our lives.
We have made mistakes and, often, we turn away from the suffering of others
and fail to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.
Trusting in God's grace and abundant mercy let us confess our sins,
first together and then in silent prayer.

Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, we confess that we have not been
the faithful disciples you call us to be.
We have not remembered who we are.
We are distracted by glittering gold.
We are mesmerized by fame and fortune.
We turn a blind eye to systems that perpetuate injustice.
We fail to hear the cries for mercy of those who bear unfair burdens.
We close our hearts and imagine empathy to be weakness.**

**Forgive us, Lord. Remind us that we are yours, citizens of the kin-dom of God.
Give us courage to be kin-dom builders here and now,
showing mercy and grace in a world in deep need.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...**

(silent confession)

Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the good news.
God does not abandon God's people.

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Even in our failures and imperfections,
God's steadfast love holds us fast.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new,
called once again to walk in the ways of justice, mercy, and love.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

Song	Wait for the Lord (See previous page.)	
+ Hymn 719	If My People's Hearts Are Humbled	BEECHER
Old Testament Reading	2 Samuel 21:1-14	Jessi Fillingham
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.		
+ Gospel Reading	Matthew 5:38-42	Brandt Fillingham
The Gospel of our Lord. Praise be to Christ.		
Sermon		Matt Vandagriff
Prayers of the People		Susan Royalty
We pray, saying, "Your kingdom come, Lord, on earth as it is in heaven."		
The Lord's Prayer 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.		
Offertory	At the River arr. John Atteberry	Chancel Ringers
+ Hymn	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.	OLD HUNDREDTH
+ Hymn 720	Christ, Whose Purpose Is to Kindle	ODE TO JOY
Benediction		Matt Vandagriff
Postlude	Concerto in G, Op. 7, No. 2: Allegro assai A. Vivaldi arr. S. Drummond Wolff	Julia Matthews

AT THE WEAVING OF CREATION

David Bjorlin

MICHAELIS
Benjamin Brody

1. At the weav-ing of cre - a - tion all our
2. But when fear or fail - ure finds us and we
3. Though com - plic - i - ty is var - ied— who de -

lives were in - ter - twined, as with care and con - tem -
will not face our pain, then the liv - ing web that
serves the praise or blame— still our des - ti - nies are

pla - tion God con - fig - ured hu - man - kind.
binds us can be - come a tox - ic chain.
mar - ried, and our fu - ture world the same.

So a joy - ous rev - o - lu - tion that e - rupts and
And the dam - age done to man - y comes from ac - tions
So with each new choice be - fore us— what to love or

quick - ly spreads comes from ev - 'ry con - tri - bu - tion
that seem small, for the dam - age done to an - y
buy or think— hear the God of life im - plore us

of a thou - sand ti - ny threads. soon en - dan - gers one and all. We are bound to one an -
to re - call our com - mon link.

oth - er, for we are bound to God. We were made to

love each oth - er, for we are loved by God.

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