



July 28, 2024 – Livestream
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brandon Wallace

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

Amy Sell and Brandon Wallace

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

The Gift of Love

arr. H. Hopson
Kurt Fowler, cello

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We seek Christ, love divine, who awakens us to life.

People: Joy of heaven, come and dwell in us.

Leader: We seek Christ, love divine, who unites us in peace.

People: Joy of heaven, come and dwell among us.

Leader: We seek Christ, love divine, who completes us in glory.

People: Joy of heaven, come:

restore our faith,

reconcile our hearts, and

renew the earth in Jesus Christ.

*OPENING HYMN #384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down;

fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;

visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!

Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.

Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;

end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;

suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,

pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

*Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

OPENING PRAYER

**Generous God,
you give us what we need and satisfy our deepest desires.
Grant that our hearts may be stretched
and our souls may be strengthened
by the inner working of your Spirit.
May Christ make his home in our lives,
and may you accomplish within us and among us
far more than all we can ask or imagine;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

ANTHEM

I Surrender All

S. Potts
Angie Ballard, soloist; Kurt Fowler, cello
Summer Choir

All to Jesus I surrender; all to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust him, in his presence daily live.
All to Jesus I surrender; humbly at his feet I bow,
worldly pleasures all forsaken; take me, Jesus, take me now.
All to Jesus I surrender; make me, Savior, wholly thine;
may thy Holy Spirit fill me, may I know thy power divine.
All to Jesus I surrender; Lord I give myself to thee;
heal me with thy love and power; let thy blessing flow on me.
Where he leads me I will follow, I'll go with him all the way.
All to Jesus I surrender; humbly at his feet I bow,
worldly pleasures all forsaken; take me, Jesus, take me now.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Psalm 145:10-18

Leader: All your works will thank you, Lord,
and your faithful followers will praise you.

**People: They will speak of the glory of your realm;
they will give examples of your power.**

Leader: They will tell about your mighty deeds
and about the majesty and glory of your reign.

**People: For your sovereignty is an everlasting sovereignty.
You rule throughout all generations.**

Leader: The Lord is always a promise-keeper;
God is gracious in every way.

**People: The Lord helps the fallen
and lifts those bent beneath their loads.**

Leader: The eyes of all look to you in hope;
you give them their food as they need it.

People: When you open your hand,

you satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

Leader: The Lord's ways are righteous;
God is filled with kindness.

**People: The Lord is close to all who call for help,
yes, to all who call on the Lord in truth.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Emily Willson

FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 4:42-44

⁴² One day a man from Baal-shalishah brought the man of God a sack of fresh grain and twenty loaves of barley bread made from the first grain of his harvest. Elisha said, "Give it to the people so they can eat."

⁴³ "What?" his servant exclaimed. "Feed a hundred people with only this?" But Elisha repeated, "Give it to the people so they can eat, for this is what the Lord says: Everyone will eat, and there will even be some left over!" ⁴⁴ And when they gave it to the people, there was plenty for all and some left over, just as the Lord had promised.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PRAYER #2027

Now Praise the Hidden God of Love

***Now praise the hidden God of love, in whom we all must live and move,
who shepherds us at ev'ry stage, through youth, maturity, and age:***

***Who challenged us, when we were young, to storm the citadels of wrong;
in care for others taught us how God's true community must grow:***

***Who bids us never lose our zest, though age is urging us to rest,
but proves to us that we have still a work to do, a place to fill.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Amy Sell

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass 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.**

MUSICAL RESPONSE #2157

Come and Fill Our Hearts

***Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Emily Willson

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, ¹⁵ the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. ¹⁶ I pray that with God's glorious, unlimited resources you will be empowered with inner strength through God's Spirit. ¹⁷ Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. ¹⁸ And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep is the love of Christ. ¹⁹ May you experience this love, though it is too great to fully measure. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.

²⁰ Now all glory to God, who is able with mighty power working within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. ²¹ Glory to God in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Volume Formula

Darren Cushman Wood

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #422

Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love

***Jesus, thine all-victorious love shed in my heart abroad;
then shall my feet no longer rove, rooted and fixed in God.***

***O that in me the sacred fire might now begin to glow;
burn up the dross of base desire and make the mountains flow!***

***O that it now from heav'n might fall and all my sins consume!
Come, Holy Ghost, for thee I call, Spirit of burning, come!***

***Refining fire, go through my heart, illuminate my soul;
scatter thy life through every part and sanctify the whole.***

*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

arr. J. Raney

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in celebration of Joan Lafuze's 87th birthday on July 31st, as well as in memory of Ralph Lafuze who would have turned 92 on the same day.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, July 30, 6:00-7:30pm

"Hearing and Doing" Book of James Study with Emily Willson
at Guggman Haus Brewing Co., 1701 Gent Avenue

Farmers Market Dates

Aug. 1, Aug. 15, Sept. 5, and Sept. 19, 4:00 — 6:00pm

August 4, Children and Youth Volunteer Training

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**This week's worship
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