

# SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

AUGUST 20, 2023 | 9:30 A.M.

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## PREPARATION & PRAISE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

## ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship: Hosea 6:1,3

Prayer of the Day: based on Exodus 15:13

O Lord, in your steadfast love you have led the people whom you have redeemed. You have guided them by your strength to the place where you are present. Gather all your people in, and lead them today so that they may worship you in your holiness. Amen.

\* Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" PH 253

\* God's Greeting I Peter 1:1-2

## CONFESSION & PRAYER

Call to Confession: Galatians 5:17

Prayer of Confession

God's Will for Our Lives: Galatians 5:19-23

Assurance of Pardon: Galatians 5:25-26, 6:8-10

\* Hymn: "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

Congregational Prayer

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

\* Hymn: "I Love to Tell the Story" PH 530

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: *Understanding the Message We Share* Acts 8:26-40 (p. 1086)

\* Hymn: "The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear" PH 542

## OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

\* Offertory Prayer for the General Fund & Ahadi College Tuition Expenses

\* Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed

## BLESSING & DISMISSAL

\* Benediction: based on Ephesians 4:1, II Thessalonians 3:18

\* Doxology: "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Postlude

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*\*Indicates congregation stands, as able*

Ministers: Rev. Joel Vande Werken

Liturgist: Dick Vanden Berg

Piano/ Organ: Lisa Vos | Trumpet: Dan Vos

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