

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

OCTOBER 1, 2023 | 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION & PRAISE

Prelude: "Before the Throne of God Above" by Vikki Cook, arr. Faye Lopez
"Be Thou My Vision" arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship: from Psalm 95:6-7; Psalm 133

Prayer of the Day:

O God, let the overflowing of your Holy Spirit cover your church today with the blessing of unity, and the anointing of your peace. Help us, in recognition of our common dependence on you, to acknowledge our need of one another.

May the oneness of our worship make us one in love and service. Amen.

* Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" PH 486

* God's Greeting: based on Psalm 124:8; II Cor. 13:14

CONFESSION & PRAYER

Call to Confession: Deuteronomy 11:16-21

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Deuteronomy 26:18-19

Hymn: "Before the Throne of God Above"

God's Will for Our Lives: based on Deuteronomy 5:6-21

Heidelberg Catechism Q&As 86 and 93 (PH p. 901, 904)

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: "Ancient Words "

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: *Birds' Nests, Porch Railings, and Christian Community*

Deuteronomy 22:1-12 (p. 192)

* Hymn: "Be Thou My Vision"

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation and Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

* Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed

Distribution of Bread and Cup

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

* Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

* Offertory Prayer for the General Fund &
Blackstone Valley Emergency Shelter

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

* Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

* Doxology: "I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord" PH 169:1

Postlude

**Indicates congregation stands, as able*

Ministers: Rev. Joel Vande Werken

Liturgists: Brandie Vande Werken, Ria Jorritsma, Faith Lane

Piano: Terry Ebbeling | Guitar: Greg Ebbeling

Prayer of the Day adapted from *Worship Sourcebook S.1.4.1*,

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