

# WORSHIP GATHERING AND CELEBRATION

July 24, 2022—10:00 A.M.

**PRELUDE**

“Arioso”

G.F. Handel

**THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

God of all people, whose healing grace answers our cries of faith, open our eyes to see your wonders, our hearts to experience your love, our lips to share your praise. Gather us in and unite us in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT:**

“Sweet Hour Of Prayer”

**TWC 623**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP :**

Leader: We gather to recount the deeds of the Lord.

**All: We gather to celebrate God's faithfulness**

Leader: Come, knowing that you are a part of that faithful history.

**All: We gather to give thanks, and reaffirm our trust in the goodness of God.**

**\*OPENING HYMN: “When Morning Gilds The Skies”**

**TWC 99**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

What attention have we given this week to our relationship with God? Most of the time we must admit that we have been neglectful. Part of our worship is confessing our shortcomings to God, seeking forgiveness, trusting God's grace. Let us seek healing and new life that we may worship with fullness of joy.

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O God, we neglect conversing with you as openly and often as we should. When we do speak to you, it is often to beg or complain, not to give thanks. We grow frustrated when our petitions are not answered how or when we would like. Forgive our lack of trust, and move our spirits to long for time in your presence.**

**\*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION (PAUSE)**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: God's mercy comes to us in our need. We are not lost, but lifted up and set once again on the Lord's path.

**All: We give thanks for God's love and grace, and seek to live more faithfully each new day.**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI**

**TWC 805**

**1st SCRIPTURE READING**

I Thessalonians 5:16-25

**SOLO:** "If My People Will Pray"

Jimmy Owens  
**Vocalist: Philip Aley**

**2nd SCRIPTURE READING:**

**Luke 11:1-13**

**SERMON:**

**"The Stubborn Prayer "**  
Rev. Kellie Weekley Mills

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) Apostle Creed**

Please see the laminated cards titled CREEDS located in the pew racks.

**\*HYMN: "I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say"**

**TWC 506**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**PRAYER MUSIC:**

"Lord, Listen To Your Children Prayin"

Ken Medema

**CALL TO OFFERING**

Have you received bountifully from God's hand? Give generously in response. Have you prayed for the hungry and homeless? Give caringly that they may be helped. Have you been taught and comforted by Christ's church? Give to build the community of faith. Let us bring to God the offerings of our life and labor.

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:**

"Arioso"

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**\*DOXOLOGY**

**TWC 809**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

For all your gifts we give thanks, O God. We do not say thank you near enough. Accept these offerings, and use them to build your kingdom through our ministry.

**\*HYMN: "Lord, Speak To Me That I May Speak"**

**TWC 574**

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

**"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"**

**TWC 840**

**\*POSTLUDE:**

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W.A. Mozart.