



Service of Worship June 15, 2025 9:30am
First Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

SONG TO GATHER

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” as recorded by One Sonic Society
Praise Team/All

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

*Beginning to end, my life in your hands. Great, great is your faithfulness.
You never let go. This one thing I know: great, great is your faithfulness.*

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine and ten thousand beside.**

**Great is thy faithfulness, Great is thy faithfulness,
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hast provided;
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

ALL: God's mercies never come to an end.

ONE: They are new every morning;

ALL: Great is God's faithfulness!

ONE: For the Lord is good, and God's steadfast love endures forever.

ALL: God's faithfulness continues through all generations. Let us worship God with grateful hearts, remembering God's goodness through the years.

SONG TO PRAISE*"Come Thou Fount"**

by Robert Robinson

All**Come Thou Fount**

Words by
Robert Robinson

Music by
John Wyeth

VERSE

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1. Come, Thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing Thy
 2. Here I raise mine Eb - e - ne - zer; Hith - er by Thy help I'm
 3. O, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to

4 A E7 A E A D A E7 A

grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise: Teach me
 come; And I hope, by Thy good pleas - ure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home: Je - sus
 be! Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to

9 A C#m D D/A A A C#m D A E7

some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove; Praise the
 sought me when a stran - ger, wan d'ring from the fold of God; He, to
 wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here's my

13 A E A D A E7 A

mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of Thy re - deem - ing love.
 res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
 heart, Lord, take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(Awakening to Worship, our child-friendly worship time, is on summer hiatus. Our Nursery welcomes young children, and our ushers can assist families to the nursery located in the children's wing. Worship bags are available for children who stay in worship.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Emily Nelson Dixon

As we look back on the journey of our church, we give thanks for God's goodness, and we also acknowledge the times we have fallen short — in faith, in love, in courage. Let us come before the Lord in confession, trusting in God's merciful and faithful love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God, You have walked with us through every season — in joy and in sorrow, in plenty and in want. You have poured out your goodness upon this church, yet we confess that we have not always trusted you fully. We have clung to comfort instead of stepping out in faith. We have kept silent when you called us to speak, and held back when you invited us to give. Forgive us, O Lord. Restore to us the joy of our salvation. Help us to remember your faithfulness, and to live as your grateful people, trusting that the God who brought us this far will lead us still. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, the Lord is good— and God's steadfast love endures forever. God's mercies are new every morning. We are a people shaped not by our failures, but by God's grace and unshakable love. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ONE: May the peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you and all others!

*SONG OF PEACE

"Goodness of God"

as recorded by Jenn Johnson

All

I love you, Lord. Your mercy never fails me.

All my days, I've been held in your hands.

From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head

I will sing of the goodness of God.

'Cause all my life you have been faithful.

All my life you have been so, so good.

**With ev'ry breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God.**

**I love your voice. You have led me through the fire.
In darkest night, you are close like no other.
I've known you as a father, I've known you as a friend.
I have lived in the goodness of God.**

**'Cause all my life you have been faithful.
All my life you have been so, so good.
With ev'ry breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God.**

**Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now; I give you ev'rything.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. (Repeat)**

**'Cause all my life you have been faithful.
All my life you have been so, so good.
With ev'ry breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God.**

Equipping

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Philippians 1:3–11 (NRSVUE)

Anne Stroud

I thank my God for every remembrance of you, always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, for all of you are my partners in God's grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

SONG TO REFLECT

"I Remember"

as recorded by Lauren Daigle

Praise Team

*In the darkest hour, when I cannot breathe, fear is on my chest, the weight of the world on me.
Ev'rything is crashing down, ev'rything I have known, when I wonder if I'm all alone:*

*I remember, I remember, you have always been faithful to me.
I remember, I remember, even when my own eyes could not see,
You were there, always there.*

*I will lift my eyes even in the pain, above all the lies I know you can make a way.
I have seen giants fall, I have seen mountains move,
I have seen waters part because of you.*

*I remember, I remember, you have always been faithful to me.
I remember, I remember, even when my own eyes could not see,
You were there, always there.*

I can't stop thinking about, I can't stop thinking about your goodness.

*I remember, I remember, you have always been faithful to me.
I remember, I remember, even when my own eyes could not see,
You were there, always there.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Lamentations 3:21–26 (NRSVUE)

But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
"The Lord is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."
The Lord is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Persist in Hope"

Rev. Karen Wright

PRAYER FOR FATHERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

SONG FOR GIVING

"Well Done"

as recorded by The Afters

Praise Team, featuring Patrick O'Halloran

*What will it be like when my pain is gone,
and all the worries of this world just fade away?
What will it be like when you call my name,
in that moment when I see you face to face?
I'm waiting my whole life to hear you say:*

*Well done, well done, my good and faithful one.
Welcome to the place where you belong.
Well done, well done, my beloved child.
You have run the race and now you're home.
Welcome to the place where you belong.*

*What will it be like when tears are washed away,
and ev'ry broken thing will fin'ly be made whole?
What will it be like when I come into your glory,
standing in the presence of a love so beautiful?
I'm waiting my whole life for that day.
I will live my life to hear you say:*

*Well done, well done, my good and faithful one.
Welcome to the place where you belong.
Well done, well done, my beloved child.
You have run the race and now you're home.
Welcome to the place where you belong.*

*What will it be like when I hear that sound,
All of heaven's angels crying out.
Singing, "Holy, holy, holy are you, Lord."
Singing, "Holy, holy, holy are you, Lord."*

I'm waiting my whole life for that day. Until then I'll live to hear you say:

*Well done, well done, my good and faithful one.
Welcome to the place where you belong.
Well done, well done, my beloved child.
You have run the race and now you're home.
Welcome to the place where you belong.
Well done.*

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Karen Wright

*SONG TO SEND

"Old Church Choir"

by Colby Wedgeworth,
Ethan Hulse, & Zach Williams

Praise Team/**All**

*There's revival and it's spreading like a wildfire in my heart.
A Sunday morning "Halleluia," and it's lasting all week long.
Can you hear it? Can you feel it? It's the rhythm of a gospel song.
Once you choose it, you can't lose it. There ain't nothing,
there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy.*

**I've got an old church choir singin' in my soul.
I've got a sweet salvation and it's beautiful.
I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored.
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy.
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy!**

*When the valleys that I wander turn to mountains that I can't climb.
You are with me, you never leave me.
'cause there ain't nothing, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy.*

**I've got an old church choir singin' in my soul.
I've got a sweet salvation and it's beautiful.
I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored.
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy.
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy!**

*Clap your hands and stomp your feet 'til you find that gospel beat,
'cause he's all you'll ever need, all you'll ever need.
Clap your hands and stomp your feet 'til you find that gospel beat
'cause he's all you'll ever need, all you'll ever need.*

**I've got an old church choir singin' in my soul.
I've got a sweet salvation and it's beautiful.
I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored.
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy.
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy!**

**Stand in body or spirit*

GOD'S PEACE TO YOU

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