

# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

August 29, 2021

**PRELUDE** "He Shall Feed His Flock" Handel  
*Shelly Brooks, Solo*

## WELCOME & COMMUNITY SHARING

### CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Come, Let us walk with one another s the disciples did  
**Let us journey together as we tell God's story and witness**  
Let us ponder what we have seen and heard  
**What we know to be true in faith and hope**  
Behold Jesus walks beside us.  
**May the Spirit give us eyes to see the Risen Christ. Let us worship God!**

\* **HYMN** "Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven" No. 478

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**We spend our lives seeking assurances, God. We want it in writing, we want guarantees, we want to be free from fear. We want to store up more than enough so we will never be found wanting. God forgive our running after the idols of assurances. Give us the courage to follow you even when that means no guarantees. Help us face our fears with faith, knowing that even when we walk in the valley of the shadow of death that you are with us. Restore our faith in you, O God, and free us from the idols that tempt us. Amen.**

### SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

*The Offering plate is in the Narthex. You may also choose to mail your offering to the church office, or give online through our website, [cazpres.org](http://cazpres.org).*

\* **DOXOLOGY** No. 592

#### \* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

**O God, accept our gifts this day. May they bring hope to those who are desperate, peace to those in fear, and faith and courage to those seeking to be more like Jesus. May we know the passion of Christ as we, too, seek to live the way of Kingdom living. Help us all take up our crosses and follow without fear or hesitation. Through the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.**

\* **HYMN** "Open My Eyes That I May See" No. 324

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING:** Job 23:8-10 Pew Bible p. 446 *OT*

<sup>8</sup> "If I go forward, he is not there;

or backward, I cannot perceive him;

<sup>9</sup> on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;

I turn<sup>a</sup> to the right, but I cannot see him.

<sup>10</sup> But he knows the way that I take;

when he has tested me, I shall come out like gold.

**SECOND READING:** John 1:45-51 Pew Bible p. 87 *NT*

<sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup> Nathanael said

to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup> Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup> Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup> And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you,<sup>a</sup> you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

**SERMON** "Too Bright to See" Elder William Porter

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

\* **HYMN** "In Christ There is No East or West" No. 439

\* **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** "Lord of the Dance" Arr. Hayes  
*Shelly Brooks, Solo*

**Join us after service for coffee and fellowship in the side yard outside the Meeting House.**

**IN TODAY'S WORSHIP**

**Liturgist:** Wendy Taylor  
**Ushers:** Bill & Nancy Hall  
**Flowers:** Glenda Pugh  
**Coffee Hour:** Angela Gaige & James Rodriguez

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