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Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 30, 2026
10:55 am

The Meditation

*God of all creation, our chief end is to glorify you and praise you forever.
Our greatest delight is in your presence, our deepest trust is in your steadfast love,
our strongest longing is for your Word and Holy Spirit.
In this hour of worship, help us to become who we are meant to be.*

The Westminster Chimes

The Prelude *Lord God, Lamb of God from Mass for the Convents*

Couperin

The Welcome and Call to Worship

Rev. Matt Sapp

As we gather this morning, we remember our calling:

To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

We bring with us the events of the week in the world and in our lives,

Trying to know how to be just and loving and humble in the midst of it all.

May this hour of worship equip and empower us to live as Christ's witnesses.

*With gratitude for all of God's spiritual blessings,
and with thankfulness for the purpose of faith,
let us worship God together.*

***The Hymn No. 32**

God Has Spoken by the Prophets

HYMN TO JOY

***The Litany**

Selected Verses from Psalm 37

Mr. Matt Markham

Trust in the LORD and do good;

dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.

Take delight in the LORD,

and God will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD;

trust in God and God will do this:

God will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn,
your vindication like the noonday sun.

Turn from evil and do good;

then you will dwell in the land forever.

For the LORD loves the just

and will not forsake God's faithful ones.

Hope in the LORD and keep God's way.

The LORD helps us and delivers us.

We will hope in the LORD.

***The Gloria Patri No. 705**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

The Children's Sermon

Rev. Katie Faison

*(Children in pre-kindergarten through first grade are invited to
Children's Worship following the Children's Sermon.)*

The New Testament Reading

Matthew 16:21-28

Rev. Faison

(pew Bible, p. 1528)

...This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Ronnie Oliver

***The Hymn No. 34**

Word of God Across the Ages

AUSTRIAN HYMN

***The Offertory Prayer**

Mr. Markham

The Offertory

Go Down, Moses

arr. Hayes

***The Doxology No. 706**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him, above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Old Testament Scripture

Exodus 3:1-14

Rev. Sapp

(pew Bible, p. 89)

The Special Music

Fanny Crosby Medley

Courtney

The Chancel Choir

The Sermon

A Moment of Truth

Rev. Sapp

***The Hymn of Response No. 33** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

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Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;

I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy powerful hand;

Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield,

Be Thou still my strength and shield.

The Church Conference

Mr. Randall Duncan

Chairman, Board of Deacons

***The Benediction**

Rev. Annie Westbrook

The Postlude

Toccata Eroica

Broughton

*The floral arrangement in the sanctuary is offered to the glory of God
and in memory of Roderick "Rick" Charles Dennis Jr. and Lawton Sonny Purvis,
by Dawn Dennis.*

***Please stand if able.**

Matthew 16:21-28

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns." Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done. "Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Exodus 3:1-14

Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up." When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God. The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain." Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.'

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 30

8:45 am • Worship Service

9:45 am • Sunday School

10:55 am • Worship Service

4:00 pm • NCYC Rehearsal

Monday, August 31

7:15 am • Youth Prayer Breakfast

6:30 pm • Handbell Rehearsal

Tuesday, September 1

7:00 am • Men's Bible Study

10:00 am • Feeding Our Friends

Wednesday, September 2

5:15 pm • Wednesday Night Supper-Meatloaf

6:00 pm • All Children's Choirs (Pre-K through Grade 5)

6:00 pm • Youth Group

6:00 pm • REST, Communion Service

6:45 pm • Chancel Choir Rehearsal

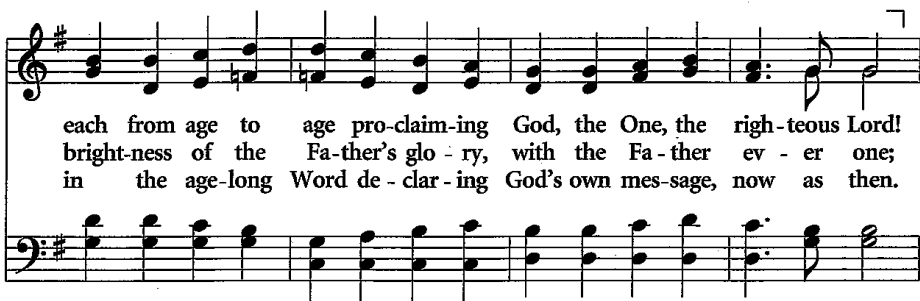


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32 God Has Spoken by the Prophets



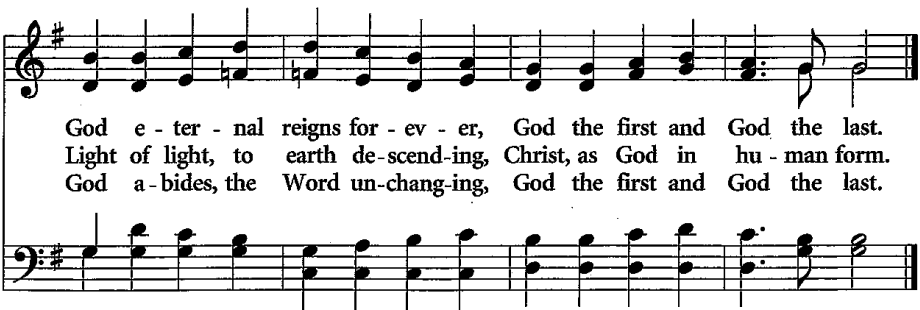
1. God has spo-ken by the proph-ets, spo - ken the un - chang-ing Word;
 2. God has spo-ken by Christ Je - sus, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Son,
 3. God is speak-ing by the Spir - it, speak-ing to our hearts a - gain;



each from age to age pro-claim-ing God, the One, the righ-teous Lord!
 bright-ness of the Fa-ther's glo - ry, with the Fa-ther ev - er one;
 in the age-long Word de - clar - ing God's own mes-sage, now as then.



'Mid the world's de - spair and tur-moil one firm an-chor hold - ing fast:
 spo - ken by the Word in - car-nate, God of God ere time was born;
 Through the rise and fall of na-tions one sure faith is stand - ing fast:



God e - ter - nal reigns for - ev - er, God the first and God the last.
 Light of light, to earth de-scend-ing, Christ, as God in hu - man form.
 God a - bides, the Word un-chang-ing, God the first and God the last.

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MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824, harm. Edward Hodges, 1864

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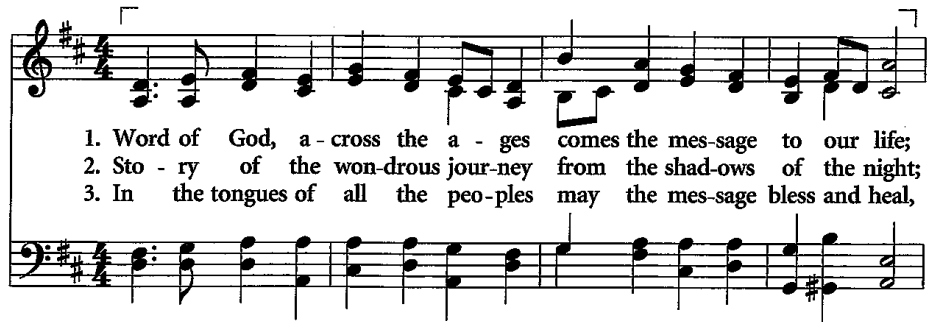
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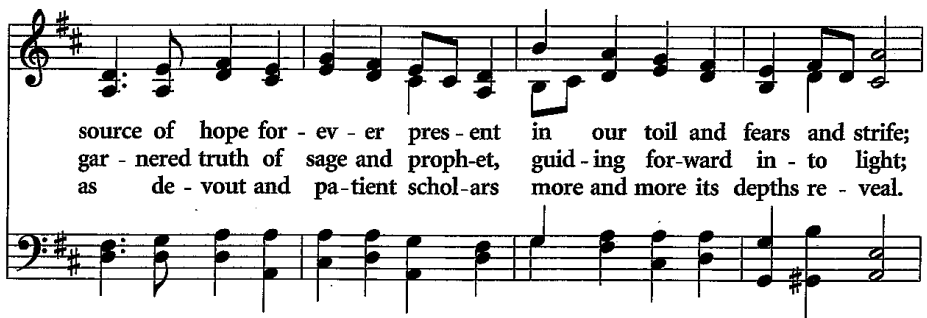
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GOD THE FATHER

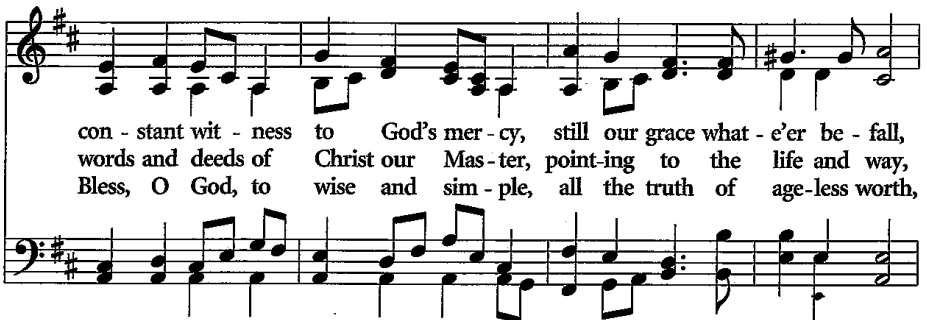
34 Word of God, Across the Ages



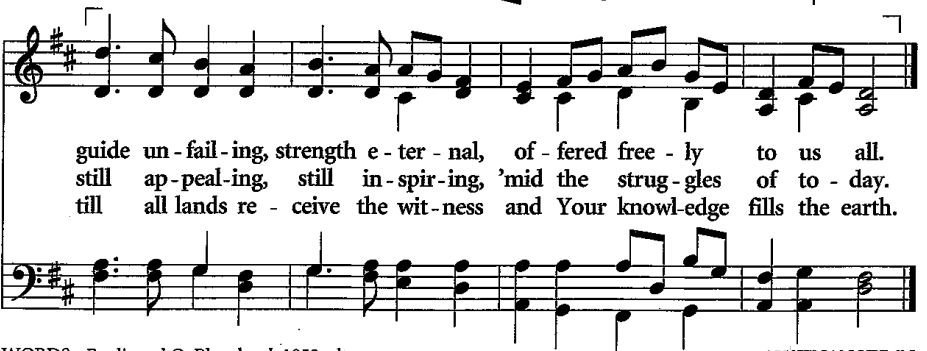
1. Word of God, a - cross the a - ges comes the mes - sage to our life;
2. Sto - ry of the won - drous jour - ney from the shad - ows of the night;
3. In the tongues of all the peo - ples may the mes - sage bless and heal,



source of hope for - ev - er pres - ent in our toil and fears and strife;
gar - nered truth of sage and proph - et, guid - ing for - ward in - to light;
as de - vout and pa - tient schol - ars more and more its depths re - veal.



con - stant wit - ness to God's mer - cy, still our grace what - e'er be - fall,
words and deeds of Christ our Mas - ter, point - ing to the life and way,
Bless, O God, to wise and sim - ple, all the truth of age - less worth,



guide un - fail - ing, strength e - ter - nal, of - fered free - ly to us all.
still ap - peal - ing, still in - spir - ing, 'mid the strug - gles of to - day.
till all lands re - ceive the wit - ness and Your knowl - edge fills the earth.

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AUSTRIAN HYMN

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Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 33

1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
~~2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing~~
~~3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious~~

bar - ren land; I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
~~stream - loth flow, let the fire and cloud y pil - im~~
~~fears sub - side, bear me through the swell - ing car - rent,~~

hold me with Thy power - ful hand; ~~Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en,~~
~~lead me all my jour - ney through, strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer,~~
~~land me safe on Ca - naan's side, songs of praise, songs of praise.~~

~~feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more,~~
~~be Thou still my strength and shield, be Thou still my strength and shield.~~
~~I will ev - er give to Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee.~~

WORDS: William Williams, 1745; trans. st. 1, Peter Williams, 1771
 (Ex. 13:21-22; 16:11-17; 17:1-7)
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

CWM RHONDDA
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