

✠ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** "The Apostles' Creed" (*unison*)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

**Go Out as God's People in the World**

✠ **Closing Hymn HoF #470:** "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

✠ **BLESSING & CHARGE / VISION & MISSION** (*responsively*):

*To walk in the light of God;*

**making JESUS known is FIRST at First!**

*In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

**Amen.**

If led, please go to a station for **HEALING PRAYER**, either at the baptismal font or in the corresponding back corner of the sanctuary.

✠ **POSTLUDE** by Tracy (Yu) Qian

Following today's service please join us in the upstairs hall for coffee & conversation.



If you are **visiting** today, we thank you for coming and hope you return soon.

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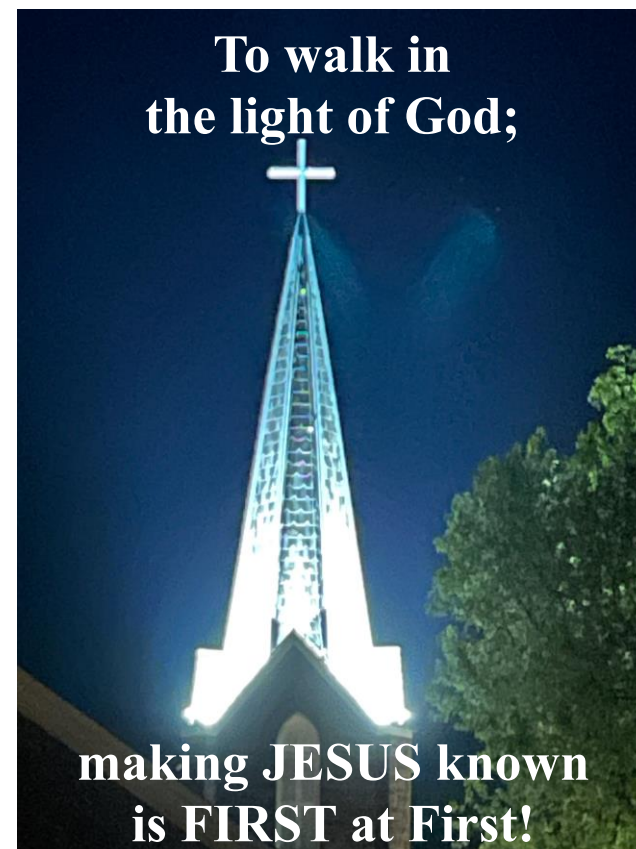
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**Today's Worship Leaders:**

Organist/Pianist: Tracy (Yu) Qian

Officer Assisting: Jean Johnson

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

September 4, 2022 **The Lord's Day Worship** 11am

**Assisted Listening Devices** are available in the Sanctuary during Worship.

*(Those not wanting to be seen on the **video recording**, please sit under the balcony.)*

*Hymnals: HB is "The Hymnbook" (burgundy) & HoF is "Hymns of Faith" (scarlet)*

## **Gathering of God's People**

*After the chimes, please be in quiet reverence & silence cell phones.*

**3 RINGS OF THE STEEPLE BELL & CHIMES**

**WELCOME** by Jean Johnson

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** *(See insert.)*

**PRELUDE** by Tracy (Yu) Qian

† stand as able

† **CALL TO WORSHIP:** Psalm 142:5&7 *(responsively):*

*I cry to you, Lord;*

*I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living."*

**Set me free from my prison, that I may praise your name.**

**Then the righteous will gather about me**

**because of your goodness to me.**

† **Opening Hymn HoF #92:** "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

**RELIGIOUS AWARD to Scout Emily Holland,**

*(pause in silent confession after each of the 10 commandments, then respond with...)*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** *(responsively)*

*...To you...*

**Jesus Our Savior and Lord,**

**we confess our sin against your commandment.**

*In agreement, we say...*

**Amen.**

† **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:** *(responsively)*

*Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.*

**Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.**

**The old life has gone; a new life has begun.**

*Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.*

† **GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE:** *(unison)* 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.

## **Proclamation of God's Word**

† **CALL TO GOD'S WORD:** John 10:35 & Romans 4:3 *(unison)*

"Scripture cannot be set aside... What does Scripture say?"

† **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

On Prayer

by Jean Johnson

**SCRIPTURE:** *(Church/Mission Era)* Acts 12:1-24

N.T. p. 1557

**SERMON:** "The Church Was Earnestly Praying"

by the Reverend Janet Hufford

## **Response to God's Word**

† **Hymn HoF #102:** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

**PRAYERS of JOYS & CONCERNS** followed by **LORD'S PRAYER** *(unison)*

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.

**CALL TO STEWARDSHIP**

**OFFERTORY** to prayerfully consider giving in thankfulness.

*(Receptacles for offerings are found at each exit.)*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

† **DOXOLOGY:** *(unison)* 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.