

✠ **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 #49:** "Ye Servants of God"

✠ **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.

Dismissal of after worship Sunday school youth, teachers, & assistants.

✠ **POSTLUDE** by Tracy (Yu) Qian

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



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

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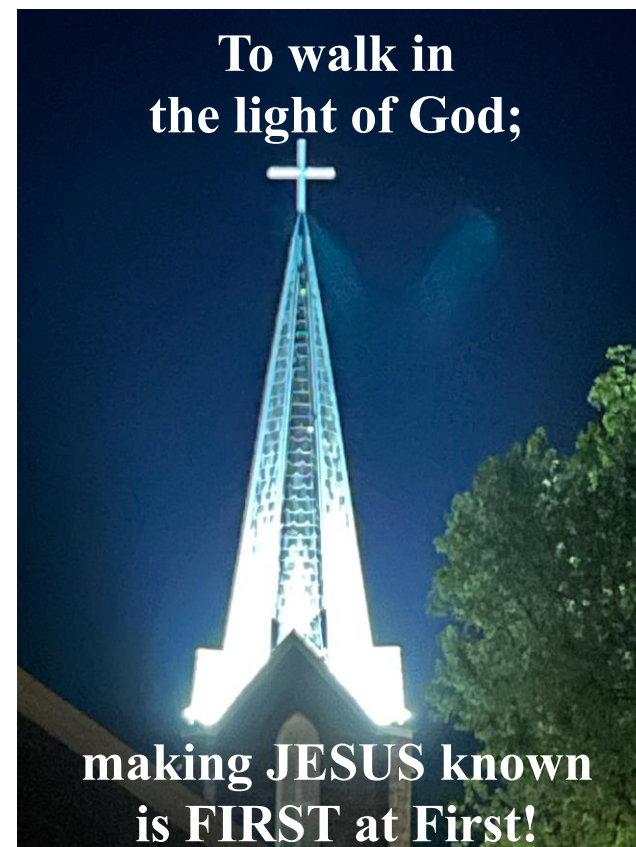
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Today's Worship Leaders:

Organist/Pianist: Tracy (Yu) Qian

Officer Assisting: Jean Johnson

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

September 18, 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 34:3 (responsively):

Glorify the Lord with me;

Let us exalt his name together.

† **Opening Hymn HB #84** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

† **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** *derived from Psalm 34 (responsively):*

David proclaimed, "I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips" (1)...

yet neither he nor we extol you, Lord, at all times. Forgive the sins of our lips.

David proclaimed, "I sought the Lord and he answered me" (4a)...

yet we have sought answers from other than you. Forgive our sin of seeking after "other gods."

David proclaimed, "he delivered me from all my fears" (4b)...

yet we are still afraid. Forgive our sin of not trusting in you.

David proclaimed, "Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame" (5)...

yet the countenance of our faces uncover that we have looked toward what is not of you. Forgive the guilt of our sin of seeking after "other gods."

(Pause in silent confession.) 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**

SCRIPTURES:

(*Epistles*) **1 Corinthians 12:7-11** N.T. p. 1636

(*Church Era: Deacons*) **Acts 6:3, 5, 8-14** N.T. p. 1557-61
7:1-10, 11-16; 17-22, 22-29, 30-39, 40-43, 44-50 and 51-53

(*Prophets*) **Ezekiel 2:7:** You must speak my words to them, whether they listen or fail to listen, for they are rebellious.

(*Epistles*) **1 Corinthians 1:18-25** N.T. p. 1636

SERMON: **"Wisdom the Spirit Gave"**
by the Reverend Janet Hufford

Response to God's Word

† **Hymn HB 358:** "God of Grace and God of Glory"

PRAYER of THANKSGIVING and JOYS & CONCERNS

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.

