



Order of Worship for Sunday, September 26, 2021

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Sharon Kichline

Our vision is to be a diverse faith family seeking to love, grow, and serve!

Celebration of September Birthdays and Anniversaries

Centering

Introit

The New 23rd, Traditional

Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship (based on Proverbs 31, Psalm 1, James 3)

Pastor Josh Krakos

One: Who is wise and understanding among us?

Many: **Those who seek wisdom and understanding each and every day. Those who delight in God and meditate on God's law.**

One: Come, learn more about the wisdom from above, a wisdom that yields a harvest of righteousness.

All: **O God, your wisdom is more precious than jewels! We draw near to you.**

*Opening Prayer (based on Psalm 1 and James 3)

In Unison

We draw near to you, O God, Source of all understanding, and ask you to draw near to us.

Teach us your wisdom from above, that we may bear good fruit in our lives.

Root us beside the streams of your wisdom that the green leaves of our goodness, fed by your insight, may not wither. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*Morning Hymn

Near to the Heart of God

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*Passing the Peace of Christ Among Us

Jesus came to bring peace among us. Let us sow the seeds for peace in our world by sharing the peace of Christ with one another, stranger and friend alike with a smile and a wave.

Blessing of the Offerings to Come

Pastor Paige Foster

Prayers of the People

***Gospel Lesson**

Mark 9:30-35

Pastor Josh

Preparing Our Hearts

Lamar Fitzgerald

Message

“Asking the Right Questions”

Pastor Sharon

Meditative Moment

You are invited to open your heart and mind to the Spirit to meditate on the message.

Responsive Prayer

Holy One, if you have placed a person on my heart today, someone who needs to feel loved, included, healed, or forgiven, I pray for your strength to guide my actions and outreach. Show me how I might love that person in a real way that touches their life with goodness. May the power of your love and grace flow through me. It is in Jesus' good and strong name, we pray. Amen.

***Sending Song**

The Servant Song

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***Benediction**

Postlude

*How wonderful to have you in worship with us today!
May God bless you and keep you until we meet again.*