



SOTC Worship  
September 1, 2024  
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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GATHERING

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG

OH, THAT THE LORD WOULD GUIDE MY WAY

ELW 772

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\dagger$  one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of  $\dagger$  Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

KYRIE

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HYMN OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

————— **WORD** —————

STORYTELLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*In preparation to receive God's Word, we light the Christ candle and pray for illumination from God's word. Take a moment for silent reflection.*

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 4:1-2, 6-9; PSALM 15; JAMES 1:17-27

*In response to the readings:*  
Word of God, Word of Life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

*The Gospel is announced:*  
The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 7th chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the reading:*  
The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN

CHANGE MY HEART O GOD

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer."*

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always!

**And also with you!**

*Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others.*

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## MEAL

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### OFFERING

### OFFERING PRAYER

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

### PREFACE

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*Together we receive God's gift of love given to us in the sacrament of communion. All are welcome at the table, where Christ is our host.*

*Receive the bread with open hands, and receive either the wine (red liquid) or juice (clear liquid). If you do not desire to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest as an indication to the server.*

LAMB OF GOD

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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SENDING

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BLESSING

SENDING SONG

TAKE, OH, TAKE ME AS I AM

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Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

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