



Sunday, October 24, 2021
22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
“WITH RESTORATION”
CONFRONTING ADVERSITY Worship Series

Prelude *“The Joy of the Lord”* by Gregg Sewell

Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

One: Sing aloud with gladness:

God is gathering the people!

From the farthest parts of the earth we come:

All who struggle; all who labor with new life!

Those who are weeping, God will console;

Those who get lost find a clear path home.

Let us worship the God who gathers us!

Opening Prayer

Ever-calling God,

We give thanks that you have gathered us into your church and graced us with your faithful presence. We ponder our history, ancient and still developing, and marvel at the many expressions of your church. Grant us the vision to be a part of this new moment in your Church that will bring ever more joy and justice to the world. Continue to gather us, the diverse lot of us, into Jesus' vision and dream that your faithful people may be one in you. Amen.

Music Ministry *“Now Thank We All Our God”* (W&R #14)

Reading of Scripture: Job 42:1-6, 10-17 | Mark 10:46-52

One: God is still speaking.

Many: We are listening. Thanks be to God!

Sermon **"WITH RESTORATION"** Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay

Music Ministry

“This is a Day of New Beginnings” (W&R #355)

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (using debts)

Offering

Our ancestors in faith and church-building show us the way to share the gifts God has given us with the whole community. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God with heartfelt gratitude, commitment and praise.

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

Transform our lives, O God, and let these gifts change the world into which we send them. Take them and multiply them to be a blessing of justice and peace in the world you love!

News of the Community

Music Ministry

“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing” (W&R #712)

Benediction and Charge

Our lives are filled with struggles and suffering— none of us are immune. The key to full life in Christ is not to rise above it, but to struggle together and help one another along the way, knowing that God is with us in every moment. This is service. If we seek to serve and lift one another up, committing to struggle together, together we will witness Christ’s glory.

So be it! Amen.

Postlude

“Nun Danket arranged” by J. Wayne Kerr

Coffee Hour in the Fellowship Hall