



**SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**  
**B.L.E.S.S.: BEGIN WITH PRAYER**  
**11 A.M.**

*You are invited to join the pastors on the right side of the altar to pray before the beginning of worship.*

**PRELUDE**

Heavenly Sunset  
Cook/Shackley

Judi Wilkinson

**WELCOME**

Let us know that you worshipped with us today: [www.westernhillsep.org/attendance/](http://www.westernhillsep.org/attendance/)  
See our full list of announcements here: [www.westernhillsep.org/happening-now/](http://www.westernhillsep.org/happening-now/)

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Almighty God,  
to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**

**that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**SONGS**

The Commission  
Logan and Madison Cain (7146623)

The Gathering Band

Trust In God  
Brandon Lake and Chris Brown (7206001)

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**INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,  
who earnestly repent of their sin  
and seek to live in peace with one another.  
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**Merciful God,  
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have failed to be an obedient church.  
We have not done your will,  
we have broken your law,  
we have rebelled against your love,  
we have not loved our neighbors,  
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Free us for joyful obedience,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.  
*All pray in silence.***

Hear the good news:  
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.**

**TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**HYMN**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

No. 140

**\*SCRIPTURE** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Luke 6:12-16

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God**

**DOXOLOGY**

**MESSAGE**

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT AND OFFERING**

**BE LOVE HIGHLIGHT**

**ANTHEM** "O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread" Chancel Choir  
Arr. by John Eby

**HYMN** Near to the Heart of God No. 472

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

**HYMN** Let us Break Bread Together v. 1,2 No. 618

**GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

**HYMN** I Come with Joy v. 5 No. 617

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** Fugue Sur Les Jeux D'Anches Ezequiel Mesa

By François Couperin

Lay Reader: Jackie Gaines