

Parkwood UMC Service of Worship
14th Sunday after Pentecost
September 14, 2025

† Please stand as you are able.



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Sign-In and Out Log*

Desiree Davis-Omburo

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming the Trinity

Call to Worship—from Thom Shurman

Rebecca Turner

We gather here, where God would teach us:

so we may learn to be more compassionate,

so we may be taught how to be more loving.

We gather here, where Jesus would teach us

the wisdom to choose forgiveness over holding a grudge,

the language of hope so we may speak to all.

We gather here, where the Spirit imparts wisdom,

so we might know how to share grace,

so we would learn how to welcome all.

† *Opening Hymn*

“Welcome”

W&S 3152

Glory Moments

Rebecca Turner

At this time, if you have a glory moment that you would like to share of where you have seen or experienced God this past week, please raise your hand.

Prayer for Illumination

Rebecca Turner

Living God who still speaks, we ask that You meet us right where we are; draw near to us, be in our heads and in our hearts, and may this written word come alive for us today. Amen.

The Bible Year Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

Herb Schwarze

Leader: this is the word of God for us the people of God, thanks be to God!

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

Rebecca Turner

Lord, You command us to love our neighbors as ourselves, and often that means forgiveness with a goal of reconciliation. Yet, too often, it is with bitterness we speak to friends and family. When people have reached out to

us, we confess we have hardened our hearts to them. God who reconciles yourself to us, forgive us, and help us to be reconciled to each other. Soften our hearts where they have hardened. Make us whole where we are broken. Grant us peace where there is bitterness and tension in our relationships, and fill us with Your Reconciling Spirit. Help us to be the church you are calling us to be. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Rebecca Turner

Gathered as God's people, we hear the good news: God has forgiven us, God has made us whole, God sends us to serve.

As a sign of our gratitude, we will take off the clothes of jealousy or resentment, but put on the garments of peace and hope. We are forgiven by our God. Amen.

† *Peace of Christ*

At this time, you may greet your neighbor with signs of peace.

Sermon

Pastor Adam

† *Hymn*

“They’ll Know We Are Christians by our Love”

TFWS 2223

Offering and Hymn “ Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 550



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures high and low.

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit One. Amen.

QR Code for Giving

Prayers of the People

If you have a prayer concern you would like for us to pray for in this service, you may write it on a prayer card and raise it in the air for an usher to collect.

The Lord’s Prayer

† *Closing Hymn*

“Blest be the Tie that Binds”

UMH 557

† *Benediction*

† *Chiming the Trinity*

† *Postlude*

Desiree Davis-Omburo