

Parkwood UMC Service of Worship  
17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
October 5, 2025

† Please stand as you are able.



*QR Code for Nursery  
Sign-In and Out Log*

Desiree Davis-Omburo

*Prelude*  
*Welcome and Announcements*  
*Chiming the Trinity*  
*Moment of Silent Contemplation*  
*Call to Worship—Sharing Gratuities*

*Unison Prayer for Forgiveness* Rosemary Marlowe  
God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways, and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships – with you and with others. We have gone astray; we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first. When others have gone missing or felt not included, we failed to include or go looking for them, like You would go looking for us. God, have mercy on us according to Your steadfast love. Cleanse us, and we will be clean. Wash us, and we will be whiter than snow. Send us forth in grace to live more faithfully as your servants. Amen.

*Silent Confession*

Leader: Hear this good news. When we went astray like lost sheep, the Lord of deep compassion and unfathomable love went looking for us. And when the Lord found us, He threw a party in heaven, because that's just who and how God is—to Whom we belong.  
**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

† *Peace of Christ* Rosemary Marlowe  
*At this time, you may greet your neighbor with signs of peace.*

† *Hymn* “Come Thou Fount” UMH 400

† *Hymn* “God is So Good” TFWS 2056

*Prayer for Illumination* Rosemary Marlowe

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us. Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us, as we listen to your Word today. Amen.

*Gospel Reading* Luke 15:1-32 Rosemary Marlowe  
Leader: this is the word of God for us the people of God,  
**People: thanks be to God!**

*Sermon* Lost and Found Rev. Adam Benson

*Offering and Hymn* “Joy Comes with the Dawn” TFWS 2210  
**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*

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you! Rev. Meghan Benson  
**And also with you!**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Joining earth and heaven's unending hymn: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

*Proclaiming the mystery of faith: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.*

*Receiving the Bread and Cup of Christ while singing “Softly, Tenderly Jesus is Calling”*  
UMH 348

*Prayer Following the Receiving of Holy Communion* Rev. Adam Benson  
Lord, we come before you today with thanksgiving. Having taken the bread and the cup, our hearts overflow with gratitude. Your desire to have a relationship with us was so great that you made a way for us to be with you. Thank you for your love for us which surpasses all understanding. Thank you for enduring the pain and heartache of the cross so that all might be welcome

into Your loving and joyful embrace. Thank you for your love. Thank you for being You, Lord. Amen.

***Prayers of the People—Posted Notes***

Rev. Adam Benson

*At this time, you may offer a prayer or two by writing it on your posted note(s) and bringing it forward to put on the bulletin board.*

*A Contemporary Version of the Lord's Prayer:* **Loving God, our Creator, holy is your name. Bring your kingdom near; let your will guide us, here on earth as in heaven. Give us the food we need for today. Forgive us when we fail you, as we forgive those who fail us. Keep us strong in times of trial, and rescue us from all that is evil. For all power and glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

† ***Closing Hymn***      “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”      **UMH 436**

† ***Joint Blessing***      Rev. Adam Benson

**The peace of God be in your heart  
The grace of God be in your words  
The love of God be in your hands  
The joy of God be in your soul  
and in the song that your life sings.**

† ***Chiming the Trinity***

† ***Postlude***      Desiree Davis-Omburo

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*1830 British Caricature of “The Rich Man and Lazarus,” Author Unknown*

## Lost and Found

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