

August 24, 2025 10:00 am

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Tom Bentley

Call to Worship Phil Fisher

Leader: Give to the Lord your whole trust.

People: We place our lives in God’s care.

Leader: Know that God has always and will always be with you.

People: We place our spirits in God’s embrace.

Leader: Worship God in confidence and peace.

Leader & People: We open our hearts to God’s incredible love. AMEN.

Opening Prayer Phil Fisher

Lord of light and life, you have called us this day to open our hearts, our minds, our spirits to hear your words of encouragement, healing, and hope. Give us patience and willingness to serve you in all that we do. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen

The Lord’s Prayer *(in unison)* Phil Fisher

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Opening Hymn: “Come Now, Almighty God” #492

Receiving of New Members (see insert)

Old Testament Reading. Phill Fisher

Jeremiah 1:4-19 NRSV

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, ⁵“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born, I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” ⁶Then I said, “Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not

know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” ⁷But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.” ⁹Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.

Offertory

Call to Offering

*Hymn of Praise *(in unison)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Living God, who we adore.

Prayer of Dedication

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel Reading Phill Fisher

Luke 13:10-17 The Message

He was teaching in one of the meeting places on the Sabbath. There was a woman present, so twisted and bent over with arthritis that she couldn’t even look up. She had been afflicted with this for eighteen years. When Jesus saw her, he called her over. “Woman, you’re free!” He laid hands on her and suddenly she was standing straight and tall, giving glory to God. The meeting-place president, furious because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the congregation, “Six days have been defined as work days. Come on one of the six if you want to be healed, but not on the seventh, the Sabbath.”

*Stand as you are able