

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
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**PREWORSHIP MUSIC
PRELUDE**

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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF INVOCATION¹

All: Gracious God, oil the hinges of our hearts' doors that they may swing gently and easily to welcome your coming. Amen.

HYMN

Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord²

On Video

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God, we confess that we do not always understand your ways. We are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected turns and our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing. We confess that we are quick to give up when things get difficult, and quick to question your presence and your power. Forgive us. Grant us patience to wait for your good timing. Open our eyes to recognize your leading in our lives and in the life of this congregation. Help us to listen for your gentle whisper when we least expect it. And then give us courage to step out in faith and obedience, trusting in your leading even when we cannot yet see an outcome on our horizon. Help us to trust that you are simply working in and through the process of our being obedient to your call. We praise you for your faithful love. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Based on Isaiah 25:9)

Pastor: On this day, God's people proclaim:

*All: Surely, the LORD is our God! We trust and God saves us.
Let us rejoice and be glad in the LORD's salvation.*

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN & YOUTH

SCRIPTURE READING – Genesis 39-41

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

*All: Lord we come to you with our prayers: for friends, family, those in need near and far.
We pray for those who are hurting, that their pain may be relieved.
We pray for those whose relationships are broken, that there may be forgiveness.
We pray for those who are sick, that there may be healing.
We pray for those who are weak, that they may be strengthened.
We pray for wisdom and guidance for the leaders of our country.*

Lectern Side: We pray for relief from debt, joblessness, and recession
We pray for those whose lives have been turned upside down,

¹ Prayer from New Guinea. “#816: Prayers before worship: The New Century Hymnal.” Cleveland: The Pilgrim Press, 1995.

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with not only losing their jobs, but losing their homes,
 their means of providing for their families,
 that they may find their way out of their pits.
 We pray that their faith may be strengthened
 and that they find their hope in you.

Pulpit Side: We pray for the people of the world,
 for those who are experiencing famine,
 may their hunger and physical needs be resolved.
 We pray for those who are living in conflict and war,
 may your peace be brought about.
 We pray for Christians and people of all religious traditions who are being persecuted,
 that they may know your presence and strength of faith.

All: *Lord we all have our spiritual struggles,
 our pits we have been in,
 and storms of life,
 and yet we recognize that you are evermore faithful to hear us
 and reach out to us to pull us up and out to higher ground.
 Lord, hear our cries for ourselves, for others near and far.
 Pour your courage into us, strengthen our faith, and be present to us.
 We pray through Jesus Christ, who taught us also to pray, saying:*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: *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.*

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Liturgist: In the midst of famine, Joseph shared generously with his brothers, giving them not just food but an amazing gift of forgiveness. You and I have received so much from God: food for our bodies and forgiveness to heal our spirits and our lives. We come to this moment in our worship when we give back to God a portion of what we've received, to express our own amazement at everything God is doing in our lives. Let us dedicate our offerings of time, talent, and money in prayer.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: *Generous Father, thank you for the privilege of partnering with you and each other in the work of ministry. We know that you will bless our efforts and contributions for the proclamation of the Gospel and the building up of your church and community. May you be pleased with our tithes and offerings today. Affirm your love, grace, and provision for each gift and giver. Thank you for their heart for mission and ministry. Let each of us continue to give with cheerfulness and full trust that you will never fail us in our times of need. Amen.*

HYMN

*Called as Partners in Christ's Service*³

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BENEDICTION

Pastor: And now, like Joseph of the Old Testament
May you love God so much that you love nothing else too much.
May you fear God enough that you need fear nothing else at all.

All: Amen.

POSTLUDE

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Jane Parker Huber, 1981

John 15:12-17; Gal. 6:2; Eph. 2:14-22



1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
 4 So God grant us for to-mor-row ways to or-der hu-man life



We re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 Let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
 Help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
 That sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,



E - qual part - ners in our car - ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
 Blend - ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra - cious gifts from God un - fold.
 Bring new power and strength for ac - tion, make us col - leagues, free and fair.
 Mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv - ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

