

Texts: Luke 14:25-33; Matthew 15:21-28
Theme: Scripture (Title: A Full House)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship From Psalm 66

Leader: Come and see what God has done:

People: God has done awesome deeds among mortals.

Leader: God has turned the sea into dry land;

People: We passed through the river on foot.

Leader: So we rejoice in God,

People: Who rules in love forever.

Hymn (see below for options)

Call to Confession

When we call ourselves “God’s people” we acknowledge and declare that we belong to God. So, knowing that we owe our allegiance to God, let us declare together our need for God’s love and mercy...

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we bow before and declare that you are our king. We owe our earthly lives to you through creation. We owe our eternal lives to you through the redemption of Jesus Christ. We owe all that we may be to you through the guidance and blessing of the Holy Spirit. So, forgive us when we stray. Forgive us when we look elsewhere. Forgive us when we seek other ways. Hold us tight and never let us go. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, know this. God is love. God is grace. God is mercy. Know that you stand forgiven. Know that you belong to God. Know that, and be at peace. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Scripture: Luke 14:25-33; Matthew 15:21-28 – Video Recording
Sermon – Video Recording

Hymn (see below for options)

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the People

Loving God, we thank you and praise you for the gift of the Scriptures written for us. Guide us to the understanding of these words that you would have us have so that we may best be your people. As we wrestle with words that we struggle to make sense of, open our hearts that, even if we don't understand, we may at least feel the desire to continue to wrestle, that we may continue to prayerfully ask you for more. And, in all things, grant us the ability to see your love shine through, even when we don't understand.

Lord, as your people, there are many things we don't understand. As we voice our concerns, we also voice our own confusion as to why these things exist. Calm our fears, even as we turn to you with our concerns...

Offering
Doxology
Prayer of dedication

Lord, all things belong to you. As we now acknowledge returning these gifts to you for your use, we ask that you would use all of these gifts for your work. May the world better feel your love. May the world better see your grace. May the world better hear your name. Amen.

Hymn (see below for options)

Challenge and Benediction – Video Recording

Hymn Options

I Love to Tell the Story
Be Thou My Vision
Open My Eyes That I May See
Open the Eyes of My Heart
How Firm a Foundation
Break Thou the Bread of Life