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**Wayne**



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*In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.*

*~Matthew 5:16*

**PRELUDE**    *Where Were You When the World Stopped Turning*    *Parish Drive*

## **WELCOME**

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come seeking refuge in a world where goodness and good news can feel far away.

**All: God is our hope and our refuge.**

Leader: We come searching for safety in a world that often calls foolishness wisdom and wisdom foolishness.

**All: God is our hope and our refuge.**

Leader: We come longing for rest in a world that bombards us with all the ways people work against the abundant life and flourishing of their neighbors.

**All: God is our hope and our refuge.**

Leader: Come, children of God, to find refuge and hope in God who delivers and restores us.

**All: May God teach us and guide us to find refuge and be refuge with and for our neighbors today and every day.**

## **OPENING HYMN**

*Lord of All Hopefulness*

*TFWS #2197*

## **OPENING PRAYER**

**This world would deny you, Lord, and rely on human wisdom in their search for answers to questions they have yet to ask, but we will praise you, and exalt your name, for we know that you are Alpha, the beginning of all things, and Omega, the end, and all that is between. We have known your healing. We have known your provision. We have known your victory. Our sorrow has turned into dancing and our tears to songs of joy. We shall praise you ever more. Amen**

## **THE BASKET**

### **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O Most Patient God, we recognize how much we need you for life itself. But how often have we behaved as if we did not know or even care about you?**

**How often have we become the ones who do not carry out justice?**

**How often have we tried to dominate others, even as you stand with them?**

**How often have we participated in the desolation of your creation by our treatment of the heavens, the earth, and its waters?**

**Forgive us for these times when we have lost our way.**

**All Loving God, we want to be among those whom you seek.**

**Shower your mercy upon us.**

**Find us and lead us safely home to faithfulness.**

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

My friends, when we are lost, all is not lost.

God is seeking us, ready to turn our lives around, Gathering us in to the people of God. Let us rejoice in God's mercy! Amen.

## **SCRIPTURE**

### **Psalm 14**

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." They are corrupt; they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

The LORD looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.

They have all gone astray; they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the LORD?

There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous.

You would confound the plans of the poor, but the LORD is their refuge.

O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

### **1 Timothy 1:12-17**

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance; that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners--of whom I am the foremost.

But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

**MESSAGE**

*Jennifer Schiffrin*

**SONG**

*The Rising*

*Parish Drive*

**PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING**

**OFFERTORY**

*Give Thanks*

Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. X2

And now let the weak say "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us. X2

**Doxology (Old 100<sup>th</sup>)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Steadfast and sheltering God, you are our refuge in every age, our hope when foolishness abounds and justice seems far off. Even when the world**

disappoints, you call us to faithfulness, to community, to generosity that reflects your own heart. Receive these offerings as signs of our trust in you and our desire to live differently, to live redemptively, and to live hopefully. Use them—and us—for the good that ripples outward, for the healing of hearts and the strengthening of your people. We give not because all is well but because you are good. Amen.

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks.

**\* CLOSING HYMN**

*Grace Alone*

*TFWS #2162*

## **BENEDICTION**

May God bless you with the clarity to recognize the world as it is, the hope to dream God's dream together, and the power to make God's dream a reality here and now. Amen.

**POSTLUDE**

*Parish Drive*

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***Pastor Ninabeth will be on vacation from  
Friday September 5<sup>th</sup> until Monday September 15<sup>th</sup>  
Pastor Brian Neville of Grace UMC in Wycoff will be covering pastoral  
emergencies. His phone number is: 201-891-4595 ext. 1***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS September 2025

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS September 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

#### **Monday September 15<sup>th</sup>**

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

#### **Tuesday September 16<sup>th</sup>**

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

#### **Wednesday September 17<sup>th</sup>**

Bible Study BYO Lunch @12pm in Fellowship Hall

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

#### **Thursday September 18<sup>th</sup>**

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

#### **Friday September 19<sup>th</sup>**

Friday Prayer and Devotion on FaceBook @ 7am

#### **Sunday September 21<sup>st</sup>**

Worship with Baptism @10am

### **Calling all Bakers!**

We are in need of baked goods for our

### **Bake Sale on September 27<sup>th</sup>!**

### **We also need helpers to assist during the sale!**

Please sign up for a slot to assist at the bake sale table on Saturday 27th.

No special skills, other than your smile, are required. You get to sit, as well!

There are still slots available and the sign-up sheet is in the Narthex

Please see Lyn Sentkowski for more information.

# The Thirsty Table

Thirsty for a deeper understanding in your faith journey?  
Join us for a conversation among friends;  
asking questions, sharing faith stories and Godwinks!

What is a “Godwink”  
It’s synchronicity, a moment of grace, a glimmer of hope,  
an answered prayer, a feeling of being guided by the Holy Spirit.

You will find us after worship in fellowship hall at the table with the Bibles.

## **The words and music in our liturgy, hymns, and songs are by:**

Call to Worship. *Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, April 2025.*

Opening Prayer. *Written by John Birch and posted on Faith and Worship,*

Prayer of Confession. *Written by Henrietta Stith Andrews, in From Despair to Rejoicing*

Benediction. *Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, April 2025.*

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## RUMMAGE SALE

Get a jump on all of the good stuff!

### PREVIEW SALE

Wed. 9/24 - Thur. 9/25 - Fri. 9/26

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

\$5.00 per person entrance fee.

### Saturday 9/27

9am - 2pm Full price

2pm - 3pm bag sale

Bake Sale all day

### Sunday 9/28

11:30am - 1pm Bag Sale

1pm - 2pm - Move It Out! FREE STUFF

Men's, Women's and Children's Clothing  
shoes, boots, jewelry, pocketbooks,  
scarves, sunglasses, hats, gloves  
Housewares, lamps, craft, holiday items,  
knick knacks etc

Sale is CASH ONLY.

