



SOTC Worship  
 September 8, 2024  
 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG

OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART LORD

**CHORUS**

♩ = 112

E5 B/D#

O - pen the eyes of my heart, Lord, o - pen the eyes of my heart; I want to

1, 3 2, 4

5 A2/C# A2 Esus E Esus

see You, I want to see You. To see You

**VERSE**

B C#m A2 Bsus

high and lift - ed up, shin - ing in the light of Your glo - ry.

14 B C#m F#m11 Bsus D.C.

Pour out Your pow'r and love; As we sing ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.

**BRIDGE**

19 2 E5 B/D#

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

24

A2/C# A2

Esus E Esus E  
*repeat as desired*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, I want to see You. see You. \_\_\_\_\_

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
 be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE

See Liturgy Packet

## HYMN OF PRAISE

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.**

————— **WORD** —————

## STORYTELLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*In preparation to receive God's Word, we light the Christ candle and pray for illumination from God's word. Take a moment for silent reflection.*

READINGS: ISAIAH 35:4-7a; PSALM 146; JAMES 2:1-17

*In response to the readings:*

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: MARK 7:24-37

*The Gospel is announced:*

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 7th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the reading:*

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN

SPIRIT, OPEN MY HEART

*Congregation sings refrain; song leader sings verses*

*Refrain*

Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of  
liv - ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing  
and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff is the refrain, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: "Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of". The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "liv - ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing". The third staff concludes the phrase with lyrics: "and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart." The notation includes various note values, rests, and phrasing slurs.



1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's  
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my  
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of



kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and  
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and  
 friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to

*Refrain*



fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.  
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.  
 day, love will be my fin - est la - bor.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer."*

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always!

**And also with you!**

*Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others.*

————— MEAL —————

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*Together we receive God's gift of love given to us in the sacrament of communion. All are welcome at the table, where Christ is our host.*

*Receive the bread with open hands, and receive either the wine (red liquid) or juice (clear liquid). If you do not desire to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest as an indication to the server.*

LAMB OF GOD

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

————— SENDING —————

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

LORD OF JUSTICE



Lord of Jus - tice, Lord of life, help us to do what you



know is right. Oh, oh, oh, Lord of Jus - tice, Lord of life,  
 guide us through the day and night. To the strang - er may we give give  
 To the wound - ed may we give give  
 wel - come, to the hun - gry may we give bread.  
 heal - ing, to the voice - less may we give words.  
 To the nak - ed may we give cloth - ing, to the  
 To the cap - tives may we give free - dom, to the  
 home - less a place to lay their head.  
 tor - tured re - lease from all the hurt.

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Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

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