

# The Order of Worship

## Gospel Choir

"I Was the One"

"Shoutin' Time"

## Welcome and Announcements

## Mission Statement

## Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

## Gathering Song

ELW #879

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

## Greeting

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

**C: And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen**

## Special Music

by Dennis Strum

## We Hear God's Word

### First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

(Pew Bible Page – 667)

*The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.*

### Second Lesson: James 3:1-12

(Pew Bible Page – 1103)

*This text uses various images to illustrate how damaging and hurtful the way we speak to and about others can be. Not only are we to control our speech, but what we say and how we say it are to reflect our faith.*

### Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

(Pew Bible Page – 921)

*This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in the narrative to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but he cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will have to suffer. Moreover, Jesus issues a strong challenge to all by connecting discipleship and the cross.*

**Message**  
**Pr. Kevin G. Frey**  
**"Stories in the Stones"**

**Hymn of the Day**  
ELW #798  
*"Will You Come and Follow Me"*

**We Respond to God's Word**

**The Sacrament of Holy Baptism – page 227ff**  
Cooper James Michael Hammer  
Rowan Hazel Moser

**Sharing of the Peace**

**Prayers**

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Blessing**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
**C: Amen.**

**Sending Song**

ELW #661  
*"I Love to Tell the Story"*

**Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

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**16th Sunday of Pentecost**

**September 12, 2021 – 9:00 am**

*The mission of our congregation is to multiply and equip the children of God's household!*