

Sunday, July 16th, 2023

Worship Leader: Rev. Kaitlyn Ostrander

Greetings, Caring, Sharing

Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Come, let us worship the Lord our God

For the Lord is our God, and we are the Lord's people.

As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our ears,

That we might both hear and heed the word of the Lord.

As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our eyes,

That we might both see and perceive the will of the Lord.

As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our hearts.

That we might understand with our hearts and turn to the Lord for healing.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: Be Still, My Soul VU 652

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger

at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole. Amen.

Responsive Psalm:

Psalm 119 VU 841 Part 5 Refrain 5

Scripture

Genesis 25:19-34

Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Arden Anthem: The Wonder of It All

Henderson and Mountian Grove Hymn:

Abide with Me VU 436

Sermon: Sower, Seeds, and Soil

Offertory Hymn: Grant Us, God, the Grace VU 540

Offering Dedication

Prayers of the People and Lords Prayer VU 960

Hymn: Sent Forth by God's Blessing VU 481

Benediction