

**The Worship of God**  
September 9, 2018 · 10:45 am  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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**GATHERING as God's Children**

Introit **Inledningsvisa** Benny Andersson

Welcome and Invocation Kim Burgess  
*As we gather for worship, please sign the friendship register and pass it down the pew.  
If you are the last to sign, please date and tear out the sheet and place it in the offering plate.*

Call to Worship **O God, Our Help in Ages Past** Arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick  
*The candles symbolize the presence of the Holy Spirit.  
As the candles are lit, may we attune our hearts and minds to worship.*

++ Song of Praise **Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)** Tomlin, Newton, & Giglio  
Praise Team & Congregation

**RECEIVING the Word of God and RESPONDING to God in Worship and Service**

Baptist Partner Emphasis **Cooperative Baptist Fellowship** Jennifer Rygg  
*As part of our church budget, we support a number of Baptist organizations. As we are exploring our Baptist heritage this month, we will also be emphasizing the work of our Baptist mission partners.*

++ Offertory Hymn **No. 580** **I Will Sing of My Redeemer** MY REDEEMER

++ Offertory Prayer Paul Schultz

Offertory **Children of the Heavenly Father** Traditional Swedish

++ Offertory Response **Doxology** OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

Old Testament Reading **Genesis 1:26-27** Kim Burgess  
Gospel Reading **Matthew 16:13-16** Paul Shultz  
The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Anthem **Hymns of Praise** arr. Dave Williamson  
**All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**  
**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**  
Sanctuary Choir

*After the anthem, children ages 4 - 2nd grade may be dismissed to Children's Chapel.*

Sermon **"Free to Believe (Soul Freedom)"** Jennifer Rygg

++ Hymn of Response **No. 570** **'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus** TRUST IN JESUS  
*During the Hymn of Response our pastor is available for those who desire to follow Christ as Savior, to renew their relationship with God, to unite with this church, or to seek prayer.*

**GOING Into the World**

Announcements and Benediction Jennifer Rygg

Meditation  
*As the candle is extinguished, the flame is carried from the sanctuary to represent the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives that goes with us as we go into the world.*

++ Benediction Hymn **The Family of God** FAMILY OF GOD

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++ Congregation is invited to stand. CCLI License # 1542736

*The silk flower arrangement is a gift of Rosa and Horace Gibson.*

Our thanks to **Tammy Gladson** for leading our music ministry today while Chris Cottingham is with our youth on fall retreat.

**Children and Worship:** Children of all ages are welcome to join us for worship!  
**Nursery care** is available in room 102 for children ages 4 and younger if desired.  
**Children's Bulletins** are available at the sanctuary entrances.  
**Children's Chapel** is provided in room 211 during the sermon for ages 4 - 2nd grade.  
**Worship Bags** are available in front of the first pew on each side of the sanctuary. Children are encouraged to take a bag at the beginning of the service and return it to the hook at the end.

Our September worship theme, *Being Baptist* continues next Sunday.

Sep 16: Free to Interpret (**Bible Freedom**)

Sep 23: Free to Congregate (**Church Freedom**)

Sep 30: Free to Worship... for ALL (**Religious Freedom**)

**Wednesday night Adult Bible Study** will also focus on the theme *Being Baptist*. We will discuss the topics from Sunday's sermons, learn a little Baptist history, and talk about what it means to identify as a Baptist Christian. Whether you are a lifelong Baptist or new to the Baptist tradition, join us for interesting and informative conversations on Wednesday nights. Adult Bible Study meets from 6:30-7:30 in room 306.

**Fall Devotional Guides** are available on the table outside the church office and on the literature rack in the hallway across from the church office. Pick up a copy of *Reflections* and/or *Open Windows* to guide your daily Bible reading and reflection.

The **Flower Calendar** is posted on the bulletin board near the office. You may sign-up to sponsor flowers in honor of or in memory of someone. Arrangements are \$27 and will be ordered by the office. The calendar is open for the month of September.

*every member a minister*

**FULL-TIME MINISTERIAL AND LAY STAFF**

Rev. Jennifer McClung Rygg · Pastor

Rev. Christopher Cottingham · Minister of Music and Youth

Joseph Reed · Office Manager

**PART-TIME MINISTERIAL AND LAY STAFF**

Marlena Dixon · Building Manager

Keleigh Frazier · Director of Children's Ministry

Diane Scott · Senior Fellowship Coordinator

Andy Welchel · Guest Organist

Becky Westmoreland · Financial Assistant



Matthew 16:15

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**Welcome, Guests!** Thank you for worshiping with us today! Please take a moment to complete the welcome card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate. You can share your experience at our church by visiting our website, clicking on "Visitors" and then "Visitor Response Survey."