



Sunday, September 21, 2025

Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, "Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?" They replied, "Certainly, Your Majesty." He said, "Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods."

— Daniel 3:16-28 (NIV)

So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to humankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

— 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 (NIV)

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about the troubles we experienced in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. Indeed, we felt we had received the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us again.

— 2 Corinthians 1:8-10 (NIV)

-Highland, A Place to be Seen, Known, and Loved-

Greeters: Joyce Shaffer, Judy Berg, Dotty Leaman, Kay Gehman, Donna Kiser

Ushers: Grant Schonour, Sara Shank, Donna Kinsey, Mike Eyster, Linda Keener, John Wolfe, Rachel Reist

Welcome Center: Amy Roe and Lois Snyder

The Chancel Flowers are presented by:
Sandy and Gary Gross in memory of our parents
Sara Shank and family in memory of Scott Shank

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Prelude

As the Deer
Highland Bells

arr. P. S. Cota

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: We rejoice, O God, that you call us to this place

People: To sing your praise and offer our lives in loving service.

Leader: For you have searched and found us,

People: And we rejoice in our salvation.

*Hymn

O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Children's Blessing

Sarah Hostetter

Children: God be with you here.

Congregation: God be with you there.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, sometimes our lives feel overwhelming and there's too much to handle. Forgive us when we turn away from you during these times—when we desperately try to maintain control—when we doubt your goodness and grace in our lives. Help us to draw closer to you in times of trouble and hardship. May we fix our eyes on you and lean on your strength. Help us to care for those in our midst who feel overburdened and sad. May we, with words of comfort and gospel, tend to those who despair. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Kyrie Eleison #572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: The psalmist wrote, "The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in love. God will not always accuse, nor will He harbor His anger forever; He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him." Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Gloria Patri 579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Reading

Daniel 3:16-28 ~
1 Corinthians 10:12-13 ~ 2 Corinthians 1:8-10

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Sermon

The Bible Doesn't Say That:
"God Doesn't Give You More Than You Can Handle"

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

Offertory

Smile on Me

Carl Nygard, Jr.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Matt Drumheller

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

Going in God's Name

*Hymn #379

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Benediction Response

Postlude

On Eagles Wings
Highland Bells

arr. D. Wagner

*PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

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ORGANIST: JONATHAN LEFEVER

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR: DR. DANIEL DROZ

A/V: GUS BEAULIEU AND KEN OSBORNE

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