

**Sermon**                    *“Where Do We Go from Here?”*                    Jim Hays

**\*Affirmation of Faith**        *“The Apostles’ Creed”*                    (See Back of Hymnal)

**Prayers of the People with The Lord’s Prayer**

**WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

**Offertory**                    *“Andante con moto”*                    Rodenkirchen

**\*Doxology**                    Hymn #706

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*Hymn**                    *“To Worship, Work, and Witness”*                    Hymn #263

**SENDING**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response**                    Hymn #518

*May the grace of our Lord Jesus, and the blessed love of God.  
The communion of the Spirit, richly bless and keep you all.*

**Postlude**                    *“A Mighty Fortress”*                    arr. Wilson

*\*please stand, if able*

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Prayer Concerns: Judy Bright, friend of Henry and Jane Hawk; Bill Conner; Pam Dalke, sister of Debbie McConkie; Caroline Dodge, mother of Randy Dodge; Betty Ellis; Jeannene Ellis, sister-in-law of Herman and Betty Ellis; Darrell Glover, uncle of Joe Pruett; Willene Hudman, sister of Bernice Chapin; Jeff Jensen, brother-in-law of Allyson Jensen; Charles Jordan; Martha Lierley; Ann Moss, mother of Debbie McConkie; Gene Murphy, father of Annette Sackhoff; Pastor Search Committee; and Jeff Pearce, son of Jean Brown.

There will be a Called Congregational Meeting today following worship to vote on Rusty Mosley as our installed pastor.

Wednesday Night Bible Study will begin September 6 at 6:30 p.m.; sandwich meal will be available at 6:00 p.m.



*In Christ Alone Glory to God Alone*



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## GATHERING

### Gathering Hymn

Hymn #477

*We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives His grace,  
one in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race.  
Let us show how He has changed us and remade us as His own;  
let us share our life together as we shall around His throne.*

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

### Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

*"The Solid Rock"*

arr. Wilson

### \*Hymn

*"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"*

Hymn #296

### \*Call to Worship

Great is the Lord—

**exalted among the nations.**

Mighty is the Lord—

**King of heaven and earth.**

Holy is the Lord—

**beyond our understanding.**

Let us worship our God and King!

### Psalm Reading

Psalm 138

### Prayer of Adoration

(Unison)

**O God, our guide and guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us, that we may not fear the coming of night, when we shall surrender into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not with our lips only at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### \*Hymn

*"The Church's One Foundation"*

Hymn #246

### Prayer of Confession and Affirmation of God's Holiness

One: We confess and acknowledge one God; holy and just, infinite in being and perfection, a pure spirit, most wise and absolute. Worthy is God, the creator and sustainer of all life. God is gracious and merciful, forgiving transgressions and sins for those who seek His grace and His forgiveness. Let us confess our sin before God and each other. Lord, have mercy upon us.

**All: Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Unison: God, have mercy upon us. Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Hear us now as we confess to you our personal confessions... (Silent Confession)**

### Assurance of Pardon

### \*Gloria Patri

Hymn # 705

*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, Amen.*

## THE WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

### First Reading

1 Thessalonians 5: 12-24

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Children's Moment

### Gospel Reading

Matthew 16: 13-20

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**