

The Worship of God

9:30-10:45 AM The Lord’s Day, August 17th, 2025 AD

"Seek the LORD while He may be found; call on Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him, and to our God, for He will freely pardon."
Isaiah 55:6-7

Hope in the Lord

Organ Prelude

Judith Lunde, Organist | Christine Pennings, Pianist

The Call to Worship

1st Cor. 1:26-31

\$Hymn #34: **The God of Abraham Praise**

\$Prayer of Praise Pastor David Bissett

Piano Reprise (Latecomers may be seated)

Scripture Reading: **Romans 8:9-17** Deacon Chad Granger

\$Song of Praise: CCLI # 162459

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold – Through life’s fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He’ll not let my soul be lost – His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life – He will hold me fast.
‘Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast!

The Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David Bissett

Offertory

\$Hymn #347: **Be Still My Soul**

The Scriptures: **Psalm 42,**

To the choirmaster. A Maskil of the Sons of Korah.

[1] As a deer pants for flowing streams,
so pants my soul for you, O God.

[2] My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.

When shall I come and appear before God?

[3] My tears have been my food day and night,
while they say to me all the day long,
“Where is your God?”

[4] These things I remember, as I pour out my soul:
how I would go with the throng
and lead them in procession to the house of God
with glad shouts and songs of praise,
a multitude keeping festival.

[5] Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation [6] and my God.

My soul is cast down within me;
therefore I remember you
from the land of Jordan and of Hermon,
from Mount Mizar.

[7] Deep calls to deep at the roar of your waterfalls;
all your breakers and your waves have gone over me.

[8] By day the LORD commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.
[9] I say to God, my rock: “Why have you forgotten me?
Why do I go mourning
because of the oppression of the enemy?”
[10] As with a deadly wound in my bones,
my adversaries taunt me,
while they say to me all the day long,
“Where is your God?”

[11] Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation and my God. (ESV)

Sermon: **“When God Seems Far Away”**
A SEASON IN THE PSALMS SERIES
Rev. Dr. David J. Bissett, Sr. Pastor

\$Hymn #406: **My Hope is in the Lord**

➤ The Benediction ➤

Announcements

Postlude



At 11:00 AM join our **“Family Class”** in the Fireside Room
with Pastor Bissett teaching on the **Fruit of the Spirit.**