

**PRELUDE, GATHERING,**      *Abide with Me; ...*      **700**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** - *space for notes on the back*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**INVOCATION**

**HYMN**      *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*      **121**

**PREFACE**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** *TMO/PO*

Open our ears and humble our hearts as we approach  
your Word read and proclaimed today, Great God.  
May we listen, discern and  
follow the path you intend for us. Amen.

**EPISTLE**      Ephesians 4:25-5:2

**GOSPEL**      John 6:35, 41-51

**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE** *FotW*

Merciful God, we confess that  
we have not lived as your faithful children.  
We have been angry with the world  
and nursed grudges against our adversaries.  
We have hoarded the fruits of our labors  
rather than share our bounty with the needy.  
We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness  
but have indulged in evil gossip.  
We have not forgiven the wrongs others have done,  
even though we desire your forgiveness toward us  
in Jesus Christ.

Heal us, O God, and give us the grace to love  
as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Amen.

{silent prayers}

*Ps 34:8* *dwh*

*O taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are those who take refuge in him.*

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen**

**CHOIR**      *Let There Be Peace on Earth*      **431**

**SERMON**

**HYMN**      *Be Still, My Soul*      **534**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** - *space for notes on the back*

**INTERCESSIONS**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*With joy and gratitude for all we have been given,  
in token of our lives, we offer our tithes and gifts to God.*

**DOXOLOGY**

**PRAYER** *dwh*

Gracious God, you have blessed us... in so many ways.  
So, in gratitude, and in joy that we are invited to do so,  
we bring our gifts, and dedicate them along with our lives,  
praying that you will use them for your good purposes. Amen

**HYMN**      *Help Us Accept Each Other*      **560**

**SENDING** *Teri McDowell Ott (alt) via Presbyterian Outlook*

*Worshiping God, we have encounter grace.  
Now we are sent from this place to share and to serve.  
May God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer go with us,  
guiding and blessing us as we seek to be a blessing to others.  
Amen*

**POSTLUDE**      *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*      **474**

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## Reflecting on and Praying with Scriptures

As suggested by the Revised Common Lectionary

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### Scriptures

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 and Psalm 130  
or 1 Kings 19:4-8 and Psalm 34:1-8  
and Ephesians 4:25-5:2 and John 6:35, 41-51

### Questions for Reflection: (Eph. 4:31-32)

*“Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you”.*

Have you ever experienced bitterness, wrath, anger, wrangling, slander, or malice in yourself or from others?

How do you overcome and find grace to forgive?

### Morning Prayers:

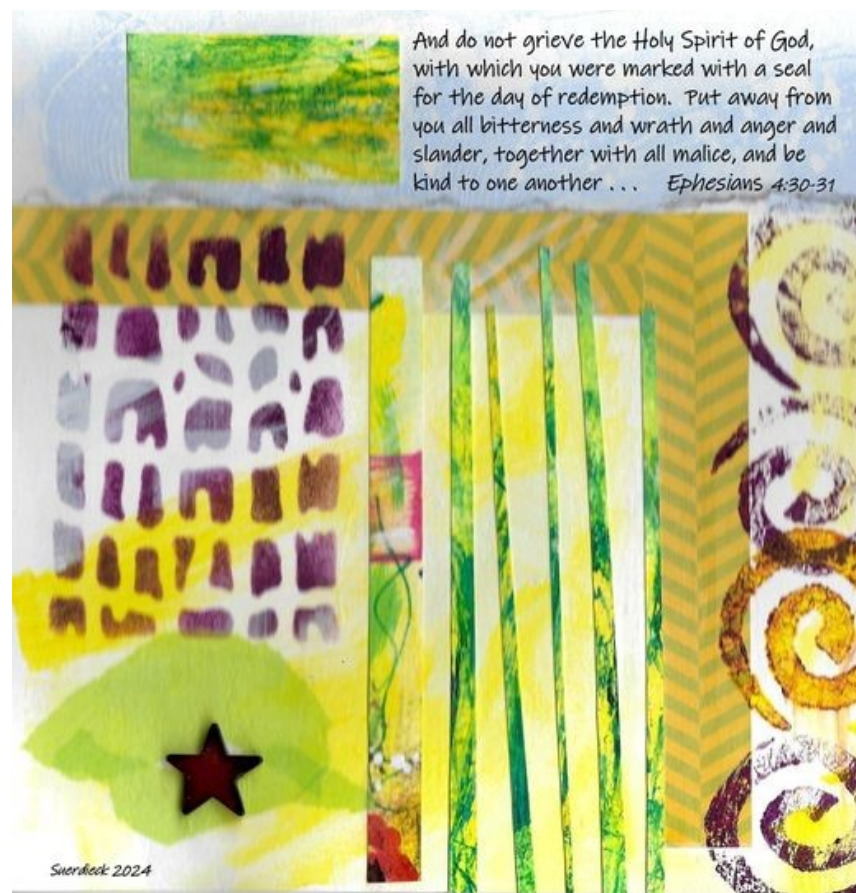
Loving God, as I break the fast of evening rest  
give me an appetite for your good gifts.

Let my hunger be satisfied with the nourishing  
bread of life you offer in Jesus Christ, that I may  
receive strength for the journey this day holds.

Amen.

### Evening Prayers:

Lord Christ, you are the bread that has sustained me.  
Let me rest in peace, trusting that the grace you have  
given me for this day will be renewed  
like manna in the wilderness,  
nourishment for the challenge of tomorrow  
and confirmation of the promise of eternal life.  
Amen.



And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,  
with which you were marked with a seal  
for the day of redemption. Put away from  
you all bitterness and wrath and anger and  
slander, together with all malice, and be  
kind to one another . . . Ephesians 4:30-31

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