

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Theme: The Heritage of Faith: Confidence

Sunday, September 28, 2025

*inhale*  
CONFIDENCE

*exhale*  
DOUBT

**“Remember I have commanded you to be determined and confident! Do not be afraid or discouraged, for I, the Lord your God, am with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9**

### *GATHERING*

*Prelude:* “I Need Thee Every Hour”  
Lowry/Monk, arr. C. Berry

\*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather today to worship God, who listens when we call.

**People: We gather to rest in the shadow of God’s wings.**

Leader: We gather to pray to God, who answers us when we call.

**People: We gather to lift our voices in the shadow of God’s wings.**

Leader: We gather to praise God, who rescues us when we call.

**People: We gather to receive courage in the shadow of God’s wings.**

Leader: Beloved, come! Let us worship God, who covers us in mercy, delivers us in Love, and grants us the confidence to move forward.

\*Hymn: #386 “Come, Worship God” (Psalm 95)

\*Prayer of the Day

**Eternal God, the refuge and help of all Your children, we praise You for all You have given us, for all You have done for us, for all You are to us. In our weakness, You are our strength. In our darkness, You are our light; in our sorrow, our comfort and peace. We cannot number Your blessings, we cannot say enough about Your love. For all the ways we disregard a thankful spirit or take for**

**granted what You provide, forgive us. We thank you for the privilege of calling on Your name with the confidence You will never leave us. Rescue us, we pray. Show us Your saving power. May we live in Your presence, and love the things that You love, and serve You in our daily lives with confidence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

### *PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD*

Scripture: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 and Joshua 1:1-18

Sermon: **“Confident Determination”**

\*Hymn: “On Jordan’s Stormy Banks” (*please see insert*)

### *RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD*

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Sheltering God, our refuge and relief, you draw near when the wilderness is too much, when the heat of the day drains our hope. Receive these gifts as signs of our trust in your abiding love, a love that does not always keep us from trouble but never leaves us to face it alone. May what we give today bring shade to the weary, hope to the hurting, and a glimpse of the salvation you are always working out in us and through us. In gratitude and faith, we offer these gifts. AMEN**

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn: #49 “The God of Abraham Praise”

\*Charge and Benediction

Leader: Receive again the promises of God, because we cling to God in hope, God will guide and deliver us.

**People: Because we acknowledge God’s name, we offer ourselves in service, even when times are hard.**

Leader: Go from here with peace and confidence, knowing that God goes with each one of us.

Silent Prayer (*be seated*)

*Postlude:* “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”  
Trad. Spiritual, arr. J. Carter

(Please remain seated)

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor  
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

### Prayers of the Congregation

Prayer Person this week: Linda Erikson

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of Jane Witmer  
whose Birthday is September 26  
Given by June Stannard

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