

Monte Vista Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2026
10:30am MT

Order of Worship

- Welcome & Call to Centering Pastor Dave
- Prelude Paulette McClellan
“Tunbridge”
arr. by Healey Willan
- *Call to Worship Ann O’Rourke
One: As disciples (that is “learners”), we come to worship God and grow in faith.
Many: Seeking to grow in our faith, we yearn to have the same mind in us that was in Christ Jesus.
One: Jesus, teacher and healer, born in human likeness, was raised up from death and given the name above every name.
Many: So today we praise God for the gift of Jesus!
All: And we give the glory to God, for Jesus Christ is Lord!
- *Opening Hymn 595 (vv. 1-3)
Be Thou My Vision
- *Opening Prayer Ann
Holy God, we give you thanks for the ways you are at work in us, in this congregation, and in the world you created. You provide for us, nurture us, and challenge us to work out our salvation. How grateful we are for the ways you inspire us to **will** and to **work** for you! May all that we do bring glory to you, AMEN.
- Scripture Reading Ann
Isaiah 58:6-12
Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
 and your healing shall spring up quickly;
 your vindicator shall go before you;
 the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.
 Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;
 you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am."
 If you remove the yoke from among you,
 the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
 if you offer your food to the hungry
 and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
 then your light shall rise in the darkness
 and your gloom be like the noonday.
 The Lord will guide you continually
 and satisfy your needs in parched places
 and make your bones strong,
 and you shall be like a watered garden,
 like a spring of water
 whose waters never fail.
 Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
 you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
 you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
 the restorer of streets to live in.

One: A word from God for the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God.

(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with us at office@montevista.org.)

Prayer Hymn	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	585
Sharing of Joys & Concerns		Pastor Dave
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)		
Holy One, our Mother and Father, let your name be revered. Let your kin-dom come, let your will be done on earth as it is in the heavens. Give us today the bread we need for today. And forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For yours is the kin-dom, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.		
*Passing of the Peace		Pastor Dave
Announcements		Pastor Dave
Special Music	<i>Balm in Gilead</i>	Vista Voices
	Traditional; arr. by Mark Hayes	
Stewardship Moment		Gregg Rothrock

Scripture Reading	Luke 10:25-37	Pastor Dave
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An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.” But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

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Sermon	<i>Go and Do the Same</i>	Pastor Dave
Special Music	<i>I've Got Joy</i> by Valerie Stephenson	Vista Bells

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship		
Invitation to the Table		Anne Loveless
(Your tithes & offerings can be given via online donations on our website, on the Givelify app, or by mailing your check to the church office. Thank you.)		
*Communion Hymn	<i>I Hunger and I Thirst</i>	409 (vv. 1-3)
Words of Institution		Pastor Dave
Prayers for the Bread and Cup		Anne
Receiving Communion		

Prayer of Thanksgiving		Pastor Dave
Invitation to the Community of MVCC		Pastor Dave
*Closing Hymn	<i>My Faith Looks Up to Thee</i>	576
*Benediction		Pastor Dave
Postlude	<i>Bells</i> [#3 from <i>Characteristic Pieces</i>] by Jean Langlais	Paulette

Ann O'Rourke, Worship Leader	Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist
Wally Miller, Sound	Rev. Dave McVey, Interim Minister, Preaching & Presiding

Be Thou My Vision

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Unison

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4. Great God of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

thou my best thought by day or by night,
 thou my re - deem - er, my love thou hast won,
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
 Great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.

WORDS: Irish song (8th century); tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; versed by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912, alt.

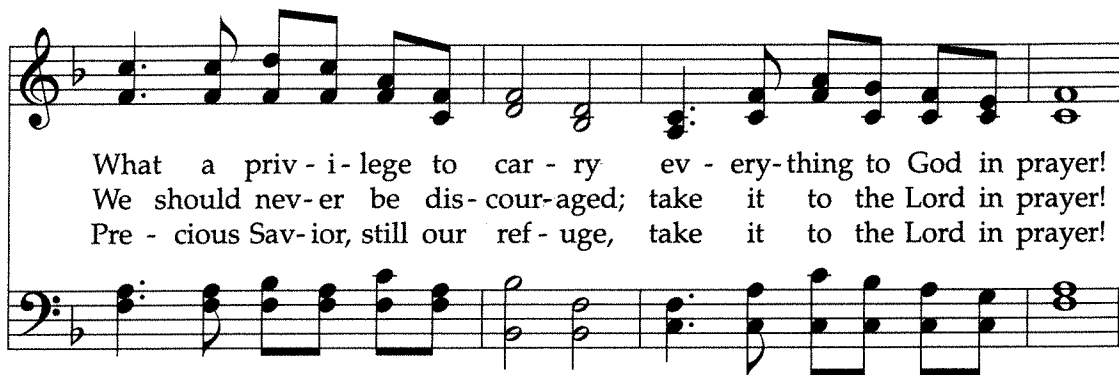
MUSIC: Traditional Irish melody; harm. Carlton R. Young, 1963

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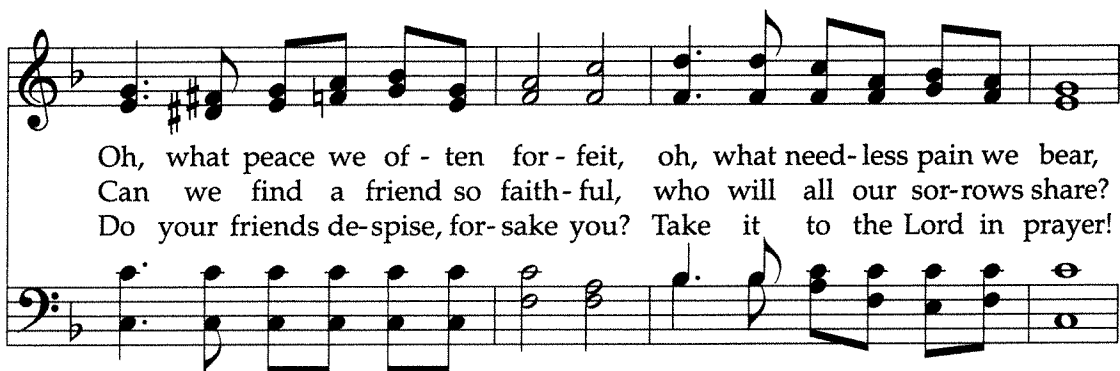
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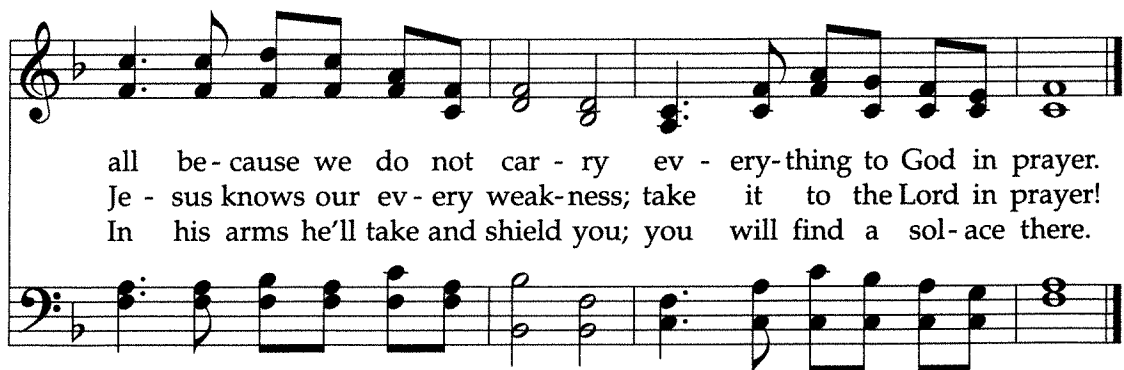
1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3. Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge, take it to the Lord in prayer!



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need - less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



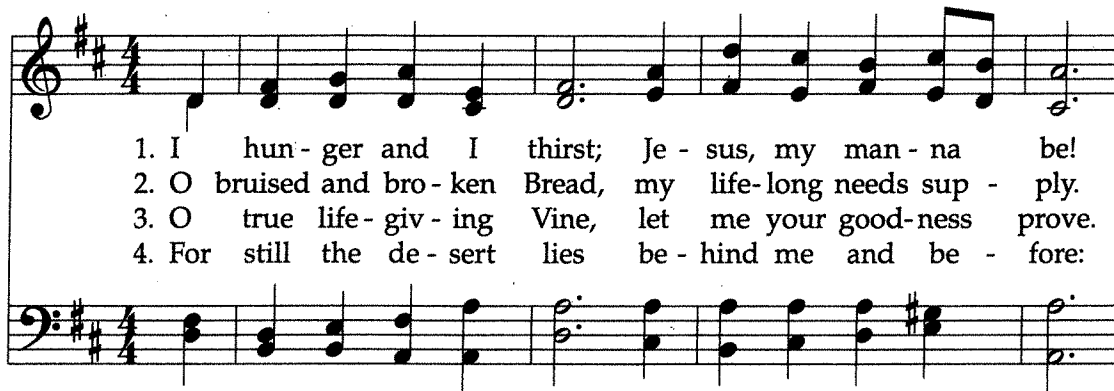
all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer.
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a sol - ace there.

WORDS: Joseph Scriven, 1855
 MUSIC: Charles C. Converse, 1868

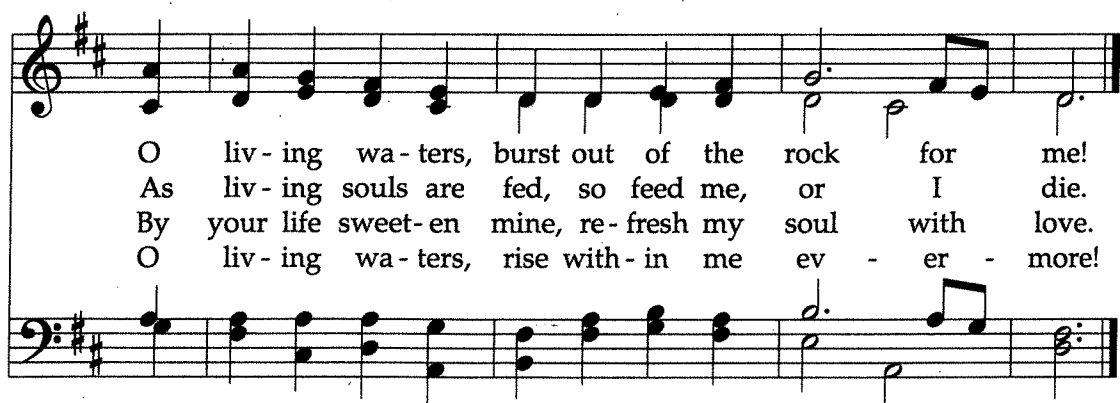
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I Hunger and I Thirst

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1. I hun-ger and I thirst; Je-sus, my man-na be!
2. O bruised and bro-ken Bread, my life-long needs sup-ply.
3. O true life-giv-ing Vine, let me your good-ness prove.
4. For still the de-sert lies be-hind me and be-fore:



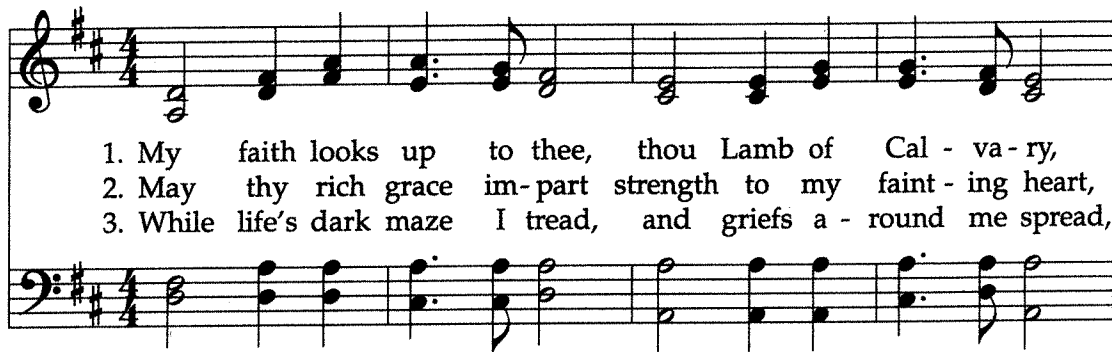
O liv-ing wa-ters, burst out of the rock for me!
As liv-ing souls are fed, so feed me, or I die.
By your life sweet-en mine, re-fresh my soul with love.
O liv-ing wa-ters, rise with-in me ev-er-more!

WORDS: John S. B. Monsell, 1866, alt.
MUSIC: Maria Tiddeman, 1875, alt.

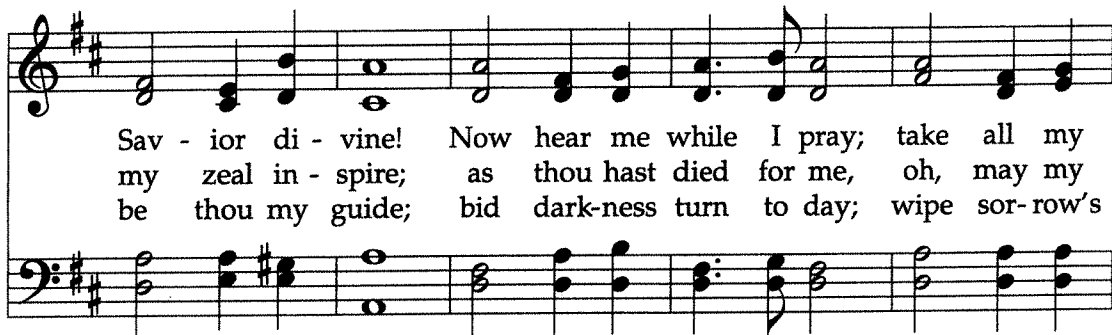
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My Faith Looks Up to Thee

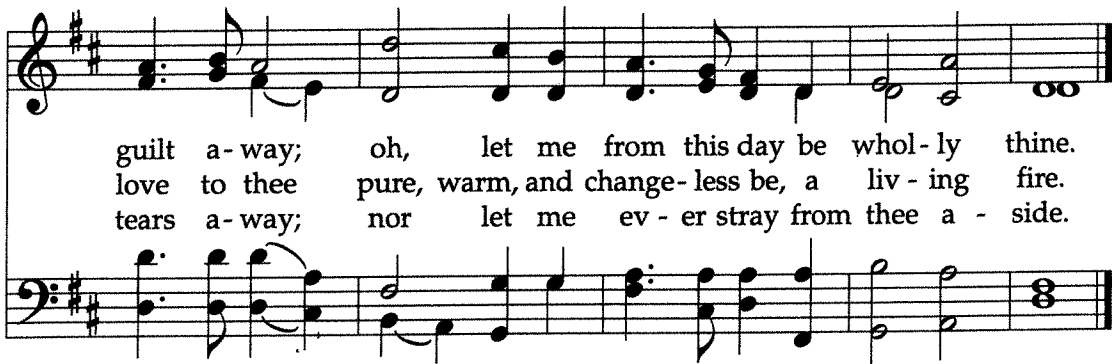
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1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2. May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
3. While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,



Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray; take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor - row's



guilt a - way; oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine.
love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire.
tears a - way; nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1831, alt.
MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1832

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