Hymn of Praise 5
Come, Though Almighty King

Words of Friendship
Rev. Courtney Willis

During the musical interlude, all children may join Christina at the chancel. Parents are welcome to accompany children.

A Time for Children
Christina McCord

During the musical interlude, children ages four through first grade may attend Junior Church and return to the sanctuary after the hymn of response.

Prayers of God’s People
Rev. Darnysha Nard

Hearing God’s Word

Opening of God’s Word
Declan Stephens

Scripture Lesson
Rev. Nard
Acts 7:55-60

Sermon
Rev. Sherouse
Life in the Spirit | Witnesses

Responding to God’s Word

Hymn of Response
Kindred
Who Is My Mother, Who Is My Brother

Testimony
Rev. Courtney Stamey

Offertory

Choral Offering
Inscription of Hope
Z. Randall Stroope

Sending into God’s World

Benediction
Rev. Sherouse

Organ Dismissal

Guests are warmly welcomed today. There are several ways during the worship hour that we can become better acquainted. During the Words of Friendship, we will share a personal greeting with those sitting around us. You will find a Connection Card in the bulletin that can be filled out and dropped in the offering plate as it is passed in the service. Ministers will also be greeting worshipers at each exit door after the service.
FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, HE GAZED INTO HEAVEN AND SAW THE GLORY OF GOD AND JESUS STANDING AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD

–Acts 7:55

GATHERING AT GOD’S INVITATION

Music for Gathering
Marietta Mobley, piano

Christ Candle

Opening Sentences
Rev. Alan Sherouse

Piano Prelude
Baker Lawrimore

Improvisation on KINDRED

†Responsive Psalm 42:1-6
Addison Lawrimore

As the deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, “Where is your God?” These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.