

# GIRDWOOD CHAPEL UMC

September 18, 2022

## Order of Sunday Worship

(bold text indicates congregational responses; \* indicates please stand as able)

### Welcome

#### \*Call to Worship

Who is my neighbor?

**The righteous and the unrighteous,  
the just and the wicked.**

Who else is my neighbor?

**The rich and the poor,  
the weak and the strong.**

Is anyone else my neighbor?

**The great and the small,  
the arrogant and the humble.**

In God's eyes, they are no different than I.

\*Song: "God of Grace and God of Glory" *UMC Hymnal #577*

Communal Prayer (inspired by Amos 7)

**You stand beside a wall  
with a plumb line in your hand, Lord—  
the wall that I have built.**

**What once was a straight, strong wall of protection,  
a sanctuary against all that might harm me,  
is now revealed as a bowed, bulging,  
weak wall of separation  
that I have used to conceal myself,  
and keep my neighbors away.**

**I know that your expansive rule of grace  
finds me wanting.**

**Free me and forgive me, Lord.  
Level my feeble fortress,  
and rebuild me in the strength of your love;  
that I may be led out of the shadows of walls I have built  
And into the freedom of your light. Amen.**

Scripture Readings: Luke 10:25-37

Response: *For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God around us, for the Word of God within us, we say: Thanks be to God.*

Sermon: Rev. Ruth Marston-Bihl, Trinity UMC (Seattle)

Hymn: "Sois la Semilla (You are the Seed)" *UMC Hymnal #583*  
(sung by Rev. Joel Rodriguez)

Weekly Connection Points

- Wednesdays: Evening Prayer, 6:15pm
- Thursdays: Walk, Talk, Pray, 10am (starting in our parking lot)
- Women's Bible Study resumes Thursday at 6:30pm
- Our Food Pantry days and times: First Sundays 2 - 4pm; 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

**Coming up!**

- Men's Fellowship Thursday 7pm (tentatively)

Invitation to Generosity

To give go to [www.girdwoodchapel.com/give](http://www.girdwoodchapel.com/give) or scan the code

Mail your offering to PO Box 1068



Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Transition time off of Facebook**

Community Prayers

Leader: God in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer**

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Holy Communion -- pp. 15-16 in the *Hymnal*

*You are invited and welcome to participate in communion with us. We believe that this is God's table and is open to all.*

Benediction: "On Eagles Wings"

And God will raise us up

On eagles' wings

Bear us on the breath of dawn

Make us to shine like the sun

And hold us, in the palm, of God's hand