

# 2ST. DAVID & ST. MARTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**30 AUGUST 2026**

**11:30 AM EDT**

**6:30 PM EAT**

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Leading Worship: Rev. Meg Patterson

Music: Mission

ENTRY OF THE BIBLE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: This summer, God invites us to ask questions.

**People: We have so many questions, God!**

Leader: Who are you? What are you? Why do good things happen to some people and bad things happen to others?

**People: We have so many questions, God!**

Leader: Who are you? Where are you? Do you really love us? And our friends? And those who aren't our friends?

**People: We have so many questions, God!**

Leader: Why aren't all bibles the same? If it is your Word, shouldn't they at least contain the same books?

**People: We are glad you are here God because we have lots of questions!**

Leader: May our questions bring us closer to you as we worship you this morning.

[Source: Adapted from a Call to Worship called "Bringing Our Questions" by Thandiwe Dale-Ferguson and posted on Worship Words (<https://worshipwords.co.uk/bringing-our-questions-thandiwe-dale-ferguson-usa/>)]

HYMN: ***"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"***

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: (UNISON)

**Our purpose is: to seek to know God; to nurture spiritual growth; to love and worship God and to do God's work.**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS *(See slides at the end.)*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LESSONS FOR THE YOUNG

PRAISE IN THE AFRICAN WAY

**Mercy Chinwo: From The Rising - from Nigeria**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM 119: 1-16

Leader: Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

**People: Blessed are those who keep the LORD's decrees, who seek the LORD with their whole heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in the ways of the LORD.**

Leader: You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

**People: O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**

Leader: I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.

**People: I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.**

Leader: How can young people keep their way pure?

**People: By guarding it according to your word.**

Leader: With my whole heart I seek you; do not let me stray from your commandments.

**People: I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you.**

Leader: Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes.

**People: With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth. I delight in the way of your decrees as much as in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.**

WISDOM OF SOLOMON 1:1-11

Love righteousness, you rulers of the earth,  
think of the Lord in goodness  
and seek him with sincerity of heart;  
because he is found by those who do not put him to the test,  
and manifests himself to those who do not distrust him.  
For perverse thoughts separate people from God,  
and when his power is tested, it exposes the foolish;

because wisdom will not enter a deceitful soul,  
or dwell in a body enslaved to sin.  
For a holy and disciplined spirit will flee from deceit,  
and will leave foolish thoughts behind,  
and will be ashamed at the approach of unrighteousness.

For wisdom is a kindly spirit,  
but will not free blasphemers from the guilt of their words;  
because God is witness of their inmost feelings,  
and a true observer of their hearts, and a hearer of their tongues.  
Because the spirit of the Lord has filled the world,  
and that which holds all things together knows what is said,  
therefore those who utter unrighteous things will not escape notice,  
and justice, when it punishes, will not pass them by.  
For inquiry will be made into the counsels of the ungodly,  
and a report of their words will come to the Lord,  
to convict them of their lawless deeds;  
because a jealous ear hears all things,  
and the sound of grumbling does not go unheard.  
Beware then of useless grumbling,  
and keep your tongue from slander;  
because no secret word is without result,  
and a lying mouth destroys the soul.

## 2 TIMOTHY 3:14-17

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of,  
because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have  
known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith  
in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking,  
correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly  
equipped for every good work.

## 2 TIMOTHÉE 3:14-17

Quant à toi, tiens ferme dans ce que tu as appris et reconnu comme certain, sachant de qui  
tu l'as appris. Depuis ton enfance, tu connais les saintes Ecritures qui peuvent te rendre  
sage en vue du salut par la foi en Jésus-Christ. Toute l'Écriture est inspirée de Dieu et  
utile pour enseigner, pour convaincre, pour corriger, pour instruire dans la justice, afin  
que l'homme de Dieu soit formé et équipé pour toute œuvre bonne.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God!**

HYMN: *"I Am the Church"*

#475 v.1 & 2

SERMON: *Extra-biblical Wisdom*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OUR OFFERING

ANTHEM: *He Touched Me*

DOXOLOGY: “*Give Thanks*”

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. Forever. AMEN**

HYMN: “*He Leadeth Me*”

#650 v.1 & 2

COMMISSIONING : “*Go Now In Peace*” (Sung)

BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN (Sung)

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## **The Saints Service Leaders**

**Regular Minister:** Rev. Meg Patterson

**Summer Guest Preachers:**

**Sept 6:** Esther Ekong



# **Celebrating the Blessings of God**

*Sun, Sept 13 after service*

*Bring your own Lunch*

Join us after service as we name the strengths and gifts of St. David & St. Martin and celebrate the various ways that God has blessed us. It will be a wonderful time of fellowship and hope as we look to what God is calling us into this fall.

