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Focus for Next Week

September 7th, 2025

"Honest Evangelism"

Millard Fisher-Guest Preacher

Psalm 139:7-12 Luke 14:25-33

Let us know you are worshiping with us,
whether you are in the Sanctuary or on Facebook.
Please fill out a connect card in your bulletin
or use the comment section on Facebook
to make your prayer request known to the pastor.
He will include your thanks to God
and your prayer concerns
in our pastoral prayer.

9:00 AM Non-Traditional Service
10:30 AM Traditional Service
All services are both in person and
live-streamed on our website and Facebook

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August 31st, 2025

<u>The Good Guest and the Good Host</u>

10:30 AM Service

Serving Christ, Changing Lives!

The Good Guest and the Good Host

Prelude

*Call to Worship Kirkland p. 173 (Lectionary Worship Aids) alt.

Leader: We come to give thanks to God,

our Creator and Sustainer.

People: We gather to join our voices in praise

to Almighty God, the Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Leader: We open our minds and hearts

to hear the Word of God.

People: We come to learn what is expected

of present-day disciples of Jesus.

Leader: Come, let us worship!

*Opening Hymn #96 "Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above"

Opening Prayer Corl p. 171 (Lectionary Worship Aids)

Most gracious God,

who gives each of us opportunities

to win honor and respect,

but only when we humble ourselves.

Lead us in a life of humility

so we may not think more highly of ourselves

than we ought to,

thus turning our honor into humiliation.

In our Savior's name we pray.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer "using the word sins instead of trespasses"

Prayer for Illumination

Epistle Reading Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Gospel Reading Luke 14:1, 7-14

Sermon "The Good Guest and the Good Host"

*Hymn of Response #432 "Jesu, Jesu"

Prayer of Confession Wilson p. 162 (Lectionary Worship Aids)

Lord,

you taught us not to be puffed up or full of pride, vet so often we seek our own glory.

You lived your earthly life in true humility, yet so often we seek prideful greatness.

You offer us your loving forgiveness,

yet so often we will not forgive others.

Forgive us again and heal our hearts, and help us share your love with others.

In Christ we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession Words of Pardon and Assurance

Offering

*Offertory Response #95 "Praise God For Whom...."

*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

*Closing Hymn #351 "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior"

*Benediction

*Choral Response #430 v. 1 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

Postlude