**Worship – Sunday, September 26, 2021**

Hymn: “All Things Bright and Beautiful” #77

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: “How Great Thou Art” – Gina & Adriana Palmieri

Invitation to Worship:

God has given us this beautiful earth and all that grows and runs upon it.

**Thanks be to God.**

God has given us breath to live and spirit to sing.

**Thanks be to God.**

God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

**Let us worship God with love, thanksgiving and praise.**

Invocation & Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Reading: Psalm 63 – Sharon Kupiec

Children’s Message – Laureen Galayda

Praise Music: “Gentle Shepherd” – Gina & Adriana Palmieri

Scripture: Mark 9:38-50

Sermon: “Attending to the Stumbling Blocks” – Rev. Peg Lewis

Hymn: “I Would Be True” #584

Prayer Time

Hymn: “We Are God’s People” #388 vs. 1-3

Benediction

Postlude: “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” – Les Marsh

**Psalm 63**

O God, you are my God, I seek you,

   my soul thirsts for you;

my flesh faints for you,

   as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,

   beholding your power and glory.

Because your steadfast love is better than life,

   my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live;

   I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,

   and my mouth praises you with joyful lips

when I think of you on my bed,

   and meditate on you in the watches of the night;

for you have been my help,

   and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

My soul clings to you;

   your right hand upholds me.

But those who seek to destroy my life

   shall go down into the depths of the earth;

they shall be given over to the power of the sword,

   they shall be prey for jackals.

But the king shall rejoice in God;

   all who swear by him shall exult,

   for the mouths of liars will be stopped.

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