



Presbytery of Charlotte 158<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting  
Order of Service  
Tuesday, May 16, 2023



**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

Lucy Crain

Leader: Through the prophet Jeremiah, the Lord declared to his people long ago: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness."\* These words are fresh and true for us, today, in this place.

**People: Drawn by God's kindness, sustained by God's love, let us worship the Lord our God.**

**Opening Hymn # 470 "There Is a Longing in Our Hearts"**

**Call To Confession**

Allison Tibe

**Prayer of Confession**

Lord, the world is beautiful, and beauty is a tender thing. We're stewards of this earth, yet we often treat it with selfish disregard. Lord, you are the source of all truth, and knowledge is boundless. We don't know what we don't know, yet we often act as though the truth is ours. Lord, your Holy Spirit is our companion on the path of life. When we stumble into quagmires or feel weary and astray, we often fear we're lost or lagging on the way. O God, in your mercy, heal, forgive, and guide us on our journey to wholeness. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

Allison Tibe

**Passing of the Peace**

**Prayer for Illumination**

LaWonder McDowell

**Scripture Reading:** Isaiah 43:1 - 2, 11

**Sermon**

*'Saved by the Whisper'*

Rev. Robert Spach

**Musical Selection**

*"In a Deep, Unbounded Darkness"*

Davidson College Presbyterian Church Contemporary Choir

**Celebration of the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**  
**Rev. Caitlyn Zold and Rev. Daniel Heath**

Opening Words and Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

**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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Cup and Bread

Hymn during Communion: *"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"* (#523)

Prayer after Communion

**Closing Hymn #835**

*"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"*

**Charge and Benediction**

Rev. Robert Spach

**Worship Participants**

*Rev. Robert Spach, Chaplain, Davidson College*

*Rev. Daniel Heath, Associate Chaplain, Davidson College*

*Rev. Caitlyn Zold, Associate Pastor, Davidson College Presbyterian Church*

*Lucy Crain (Covenant-Charlotte Church)*

*Allison Tibe (Selwyn Avenue Church)*

*LaWonder McDowell (Caldwell Church)*

*Davidson College Contemporary Music Group*