



**August 4, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.**

**Contemporary Worship Service**

**OPENING SONG**

**GREETING**

Mr. Greg Brown

**CALL TO WORSHIP\***

Lay Reader

**PEOPLE:** God seeks and saves all who are lost.

**Leader:** Like the biblical woman who searched for a lost coin,

**PEOPLE:** God comes to us and rejoices when we are restored to wholeness.

**Leader:** Just as a biblical father received a son who wandered into the world and became destitute,

**PEOPLE:** God welcomes us, forgives us, celebrates our return, and lets the past be the past. We therefore praise God. We also vow to receive one another and rejoice for the opportunity to be in God's house of worship.

**KIDS FOR CHRIST WITH MRS. JUDY, MRS. MEGHAN, & MRS. DIANA**

**SONG OF PRAISE**

"Song of Hope"

Praise Team

**OPENING PRAYER**

Lay Reader

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE\***

Lay Reader

**LORD'S PRAYER\***

Lay Reader

**SONG OF PRAISE**

"Great Are You Lord"

Praise Team

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

James 1:2-6, 12  
 James 1:13-18

Mr. Greg Brown

**SERMON**

"Overcoming Trials and Temptations"

**MESSAGE INVITATIONS**

Mr. Greg Brown

Holy Communion

Invitation to Discipleship & Membership

Hearers and Doers of the Word

**SONG OF PRAISE**

"Goodness of God"

Praise Team

**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Mr. Greg Brown

**GOING FORTH**

\*Lay Reader: Rhonda Kapus

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 We welcome Mr. Greg Brown, our Tabernacle Lay Leader, who will deliver the message today. In anticipation of Pastor Ted's vacation, the Holy Communion elements were blessed and consecrated so that they could be served by our Laity team today.

## **JAMES 1:2-6, 12**

<sup>2</sup> My brothers and sisters, whenever you face various trials, consider it all joy, <sup>3</sup> because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. <sup>4</sup> And let endurance complete its work, so that you may be complete and whole, lacking in nothing.<sup>5</sup> If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you. <sup>6</sup> But ask in faith, never doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

<sup>12</sup> Blessed is anyone who endures temptation. Such a one has stood the test and will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.

## **JAMES 1:13-18**

<sup>13</sup> No one, when tempted, should say, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted by evil and he himself tempts no one. <sup>14</sup> But one is tempted by one's own desire, being lured and enticed by it; <sup>15</sup> then, when desire has conceived, it engenders sin, and sin, when it is fully grown, gives birth to death. <sup>16</sup> Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers and sisters. <sup>17</sup> Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.<sup>18</sup> In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave birth to us by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

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### SERVANTS OF WORSHIP

Guest Speaker: Mr. Greg Brown

Lay Reader: Rhonda Kapus

Praise Team: Wendy Green, Matthew Kapus, Rhonda Kapus, Susan Pleasants,  
Donna Seabrease, Terry Mathis and Ally McCormick

Floral Arrangements: Helen Pemberton