

FOR FURTHER READING

- ◇ Frederick Dale Bruner. *Matthew: A Commentary, Volume 1: The Christbook, Matthew 1-12*. Eerdmans, 2007.
- ◇ Gerald L. Sittser. *Water from a Deep Well: Christian Spirituality from Early Martyrs to Modern Missionaries*, 2nd ed. IVP, 2026.
- ◇ H. Daniel Zacharias. *“The Gospel of Matthew,” The New Testament in Color: A Multiethnic Bible Commentary*. IVP, 2024.



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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 13, 2026; 8:15 A.M.

*We come before you weary from many burdens
and distracted by many cares.
Quiet our hearts and open us to your presence.
As we worship, draw us to yourself,
and grant us the rest that only you can give.
Help us to take up your yoke, trust your guidance,
and learn from your gentle and humble heart.
We rest in your love and offer you our praise.*

Gathering Music	<i>“I Will Call Upon the Lord”</i>	Mike Jenkins
	<i>Arranged by Mark Hayes</i>	Tyler Gallaher
	<i>“Promised Land”</i>	David Niblock
	<i>By David Niblock</i>	Amanda Walker
		Tyler Gallaher
		Mike Jenkins
Welcome & Invitation to Worship		Gina Brock
Reflection	<i>“Be Still”</i>	Media Clip
Call to Worship		Mike Jenkins
Hymn	<i>“Come Away from Rush and Hurry”</i>	All Worshipers
	<i>(To the tune of “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”)</i>	
Offertory Prayer		Randall Kale
		Deacon of the Week
Offertory	<i>“What My God Can Do”</i>	David Niblock
	<i>By David Niblock</i>	Amanda Walker
		Tyler Gallaher
		Mike Jenkins
Scripture	<i>Matthew 11:25-30</i>	David Mount
Song of Faith	<i>“How Great Your Faithfulness”</i>	David Niblock
	<i>By David Niblock</i>	Amanda Walker
Sermon	<i>“Formed into Apprenticeship”</i>	Tyler Tankersley
Practicing the Presence of God		Tyler Tankersley
Hymn	<i>“Near to the Heart of God”</i>	All Worshipers
Life of the Church		Gina Brock
Sabbatical Blessing for Tankersley Family		Gina Brock
Prayer of Blessing		David Hull
Benediction		Tyler Tankersley

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JESUS

Apprenticed to the Kingdom of God



FORMED INTO APPRENCTICESHIP
Matthew 11: 25-30

September 13, 2026
ARDMORE BAPTIST CHURCH

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 13, 2026; 10:45 A.M.

We come before you weary from many burdens
and distracted by many cares.
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As we worship, draw us to yourself,
and grant us the rest that only you can give.
Help us to take up your yoke, trust your guidance,
and learn from your gentle and humble heart.
We rest in your love and offer you our praise.

COME UNTO ME
ALL YOU WHO ARE WEARY

Chiming of the Trinity	Mike Jenkins
Lighting of the Christ Candle	Joshua Lowther
Welcome & Invitation to Worship	Gina Brock
Prelude	“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go” Mike Jenkins Arranged by Mark Hayes
Call to Worship	Psalm 46 Les Davis

COME UNTO ME
STRONG ARMS WILL ENFOLD YOU

Hymn 60	“Like A River Glorious” All Worshipers
Like a river glorious is God’s perfect peace, Over all victorious in its bright increase; Perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day; Perfect, yet it growth deeper all the way. Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blessed; Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.	
Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand, Never foe can follow, never traitor stand; Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care, Not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there. Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blessed; Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.	
When a joy or trial falleth from above, Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love, We may trust Him fully all for us to do; They who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true. Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blessed; Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.	

Children’s Sermon	Lee Ritchie
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Hymn 635
“I Want Jesus
To Walk with Me”
All Worshipers

I want Jesus to walk with me.
I want Jesus to walk with me.
All along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
When my heart is almost breaking,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I’m troubled, Lord, walk with me.
When I’m troubled, Lord, walk with me.
When my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Offertory Prayer	Randall Kale Deacon of the Week
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Offertory	“Morning Has Broken” Arranged by Diane Bish	Mike Jenkins
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COME UNTO ME
BRING ALL YOUR BURDENS

Scripture Reading	Matthew 11:25-30	Jonathan Waddell
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.		
Anthem	“Come, Come unto Me” By Ken Dosso	Sanctuary Choir
Come, come unto Me, all you who are weary, All who are weak, tired and lonely. Come, come unto Me. Strong arms will enfold you, And lift you up, Oh, come unto Me.		
Come, come unto Me. Bring me all your burdens. Show Me your wounds and I’ll soothe them. Oh, come, come unto Me. Come now and drink of My goodness And rest your soul. Oh, come unto Me.		
All are invited; there’s none who aren’t welcome To know of My comfort and peace. My arms are opened and My voice is calling To come, simply trust and believe.		
Oh, come, come unto Me. Live with Me forever. All those who seek Me will find Me! Oh, come, come unto Me. Come, and strong arms will enfold you, And lift you up, Oh, come unto Me. I’ll lift you up, oh, come unto Me!		

COME UNTO ME
LIVE WITH ME FOREVER

Sermon	“Formed into Apprenticeship”	Tyler Tankersley
Time of Response		Tyler Tankersley
Hymn 302	“Come Away from Rush and Hurry”	All Worshipers
Life of the Church		Gina Brock
Sabbatical Blessing for Tankersley Family		Gina Brock
Leader: As a community of Christians, we send you out on a journey of faith. People: We pray that God might bless your family during this sabbatical.		
Tyler:	God’s peace be with you as we leave to walk in new places. May you learn to love each other more deeply and to follow Christ more truly while we are away.	
People:	We give you this time for reflection and relaxation, for prayer and for play. Be filled with fresh dreams for your life and for this church. May new seeds be sown that will bear fruit in due season.	
Leader:	Open your heart in wonder to embrace God’s presence. Watch the morning sun as it rises on the horizon, and remember that in every day and in each tomorrow, God’s hope rises in you.	
Tyler:	I thank God for the gift of serving as your Senior Pastor and for the gift of this sabbatical. I pray that the Spirit of Fire will kindle in you a flame of love for one another and the stranger in your midst.	
People:	O God, we ask that you might also bless our other pastors, staff, and congregational leaders as they serve through this time. Your strength to direct them. Your power to sustain them. Your wisdom to guide them. Your vision to light them. Your ear to their hearing. Your word to their speaking. Your pathway before them.	
Leader:	O spirit of God, let the joy that’s meant to be in Tyler start its movement anew. Renew him for ministry. Bring Tyler, Jess, Henry, Owen and Charlotte back to us safely, full of joy and enlightened by your spirit.	
People:	This is our prayer, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.	
Prayer of Blessing		David Hull
Benediction		Tyler Tankersley
Postlude	“Improvisation on ‘Hymn to Joy’” By Richard Elliott	Mike Jenkins