

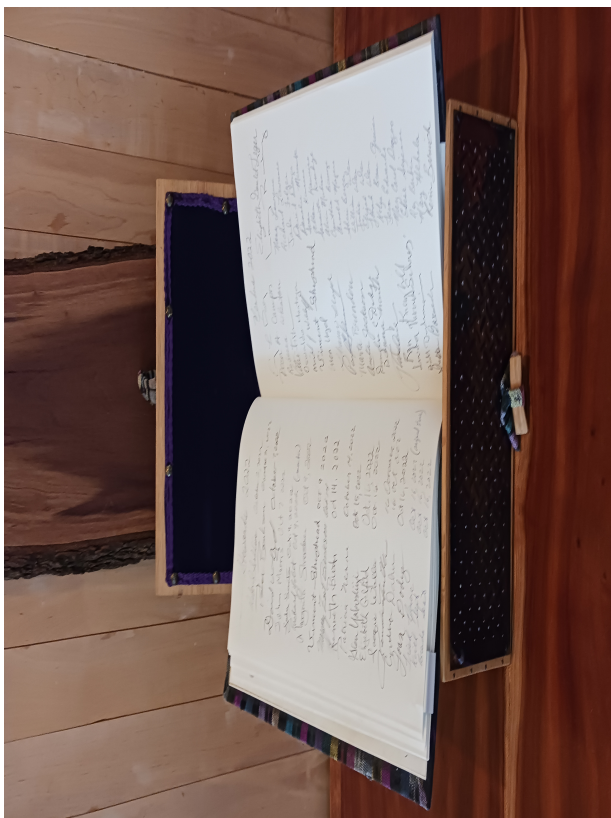
# Sermons

Seekers recognizes that any member of the community may be called upon by God to give us the Word, and thus we have an open pulpit with a different preacher each week. Sermons preached at Seekers, as well as sermons preached by Seekers at other churches or events, are posted here, beginning with the most recent.

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## [“Making and Keeping Promises” by Deborah Sokolove](#)



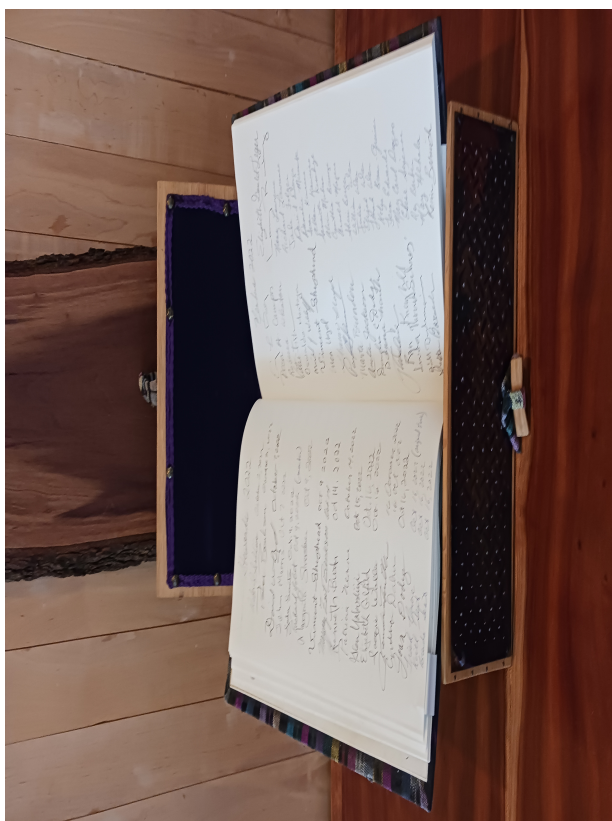
# Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

October 8, 2023

When I started to write this sermon, I did not intend to say anything about the situation in the Holy Land. However, yesterday, while I was visiting my oldest daughter in the peace and safety of her home on the Eastern Shore, we woke up to the news that Hamas had sent 3000 rockets and some unknown number of invaders into Israeli settlements, towns and cities on a major Jewish holy day. Unsurprisingly, the Israeli army retaliated with even greater force and more killing, and now there is a full-on war. At this time, we have not yet heard if any of our relatives have been killed, injured, or taken captive.

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## [“Thirsting for God” by Kolya Braun-Greiner](#)



# Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

October 1, 2023

Ex 17:1-7

Mt 21:23-32

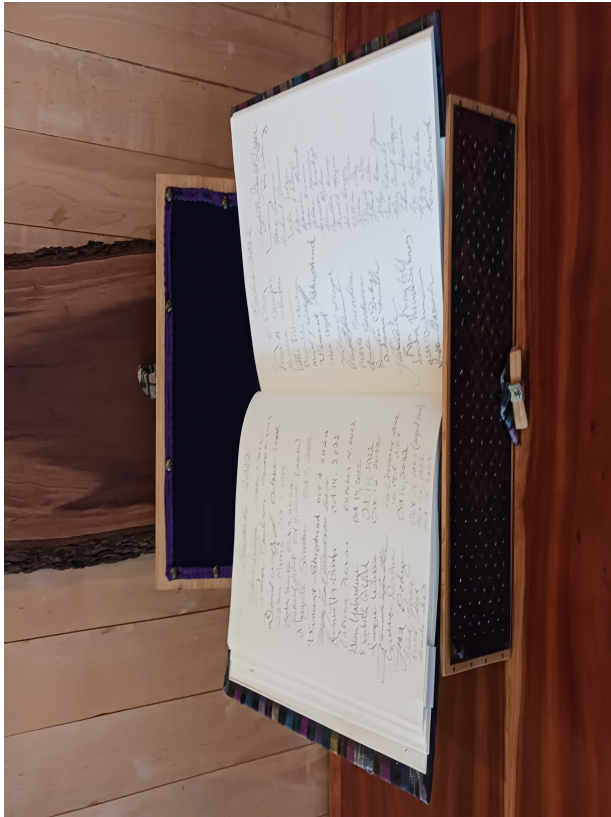
Phil 2:1-13

As I prepared to lead the Seekers Silent Retreat at Dayspring last weekend, I stayed at Overlook on personal retreat for a few day and while there I also reflected on the themes of scripture for this Sunday and what emerged for me was trusting in God's presence, intentional pacing ourselves on the journey forward and responding to our call individually and collectively as a community.

Commitment to call and community takes trust.

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**[“Committed to the Jesus Way” by David Lloyd](#)**



## Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

**September 24, 2023**

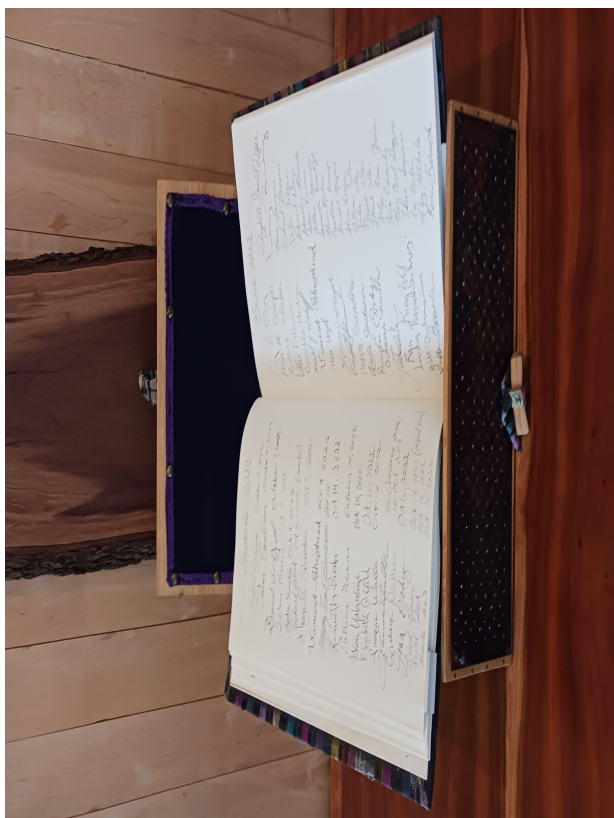
Have you noticed that our Seekers Church member's commitment statement doesn't include a profession of faith? Whether committing for the first time or recommitting, I merely affirm "my relationship with this Christian community in the tradition of the Church of the Saviour, linked with the people of God through the ages."

Our omission of a profession of faith has helped a number of people over the years who didn't initially name themselves as Christians become members of Seekers. Some described themselves as spiritual rather than as religious. A few described themselves as Buddhists or as Christian Buddhists. If I remember correctly, we've had one or two members of Alcoholics Anonymous who regarded our member's commitment as similar to the third step of AA, "a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him."

And some said they were just followers of Jesus.

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## [“Walking on Dry Ground” by Jacqie Wallen & John Morris](#)



### **Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

**September 17, 2023**

*John and Jacqie come up to the podium and look at each other with concern*

**Jacqie:** Um...

**John:** Er... Well, let's get started. Remind me how we are going to do this.

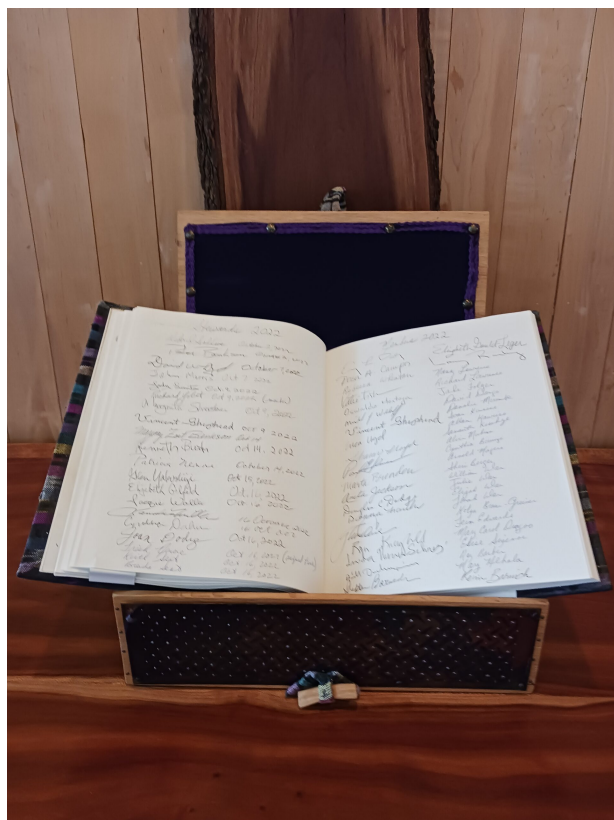
**Jacqie:** We decided to take a kind of *lectio divina* approach to the scripture readings. We each would pick some ideas or

phrases that resonated with us and we would talk about them. Then, because we are coming up on Recommitment Sunday, we would somehow tie it all to commitment.

**John:** The first phrase that caught my attention was “He clogged their chariot wheels...”

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## [“Recommitment Week 1” by Marjory Bankson](#)



## **Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

**September 10, 2023**

**Text: Matt 18:15-20**

Today marks the beginning of our Recommitment Season, which will end on the third Sunday of October – when we will have the opportunity to stand and speak aloud our commitment as a

Member of Seekers. Then some of us will make an additional commitment as Stewards.

The Member's commitment is open to anyone who wants to be intentional about their spiritual growth. The Steward's commitment adds two important aspects: belief in the Trinity and care for the whole community. We also expect additional commitments of time and money from Stewards, but that core group is open to anyone who is called to invest in the overall health of the Seekers community.

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