

## When I Can't Hear God

Psalm 19

Hear God in creation.

Hear God in scripture.

Ask God to speak to us in difficult times.

### Considerations for the week

**The voice of God.** A friend may share an encounter they had with God. It may be a familiar narrative. It may seem unlikely. Explore how we can work with one another to recognize the voice of God and come to know God better together. Recall a time when you may have heard the voice of God. How did you know whether it was God?

**Law of the Lord, v.7-9.** Of course, “the law” refers to biblical statutes but it can also include other scripture. See [John 10:34](#) and [15:25](#) where Jesus refers to psalms as law; and [Psalm 119:9-16, 33-40](#); [2 Timothy 3:15-16](#). Psalm 19 invites us to contemplate all God’s written revelation as God speaks to us through it. What can help us enhance our understanding of God’s law and integrate it into our lives?

**Discernment, v.12-13.** It is hard to see our own errors – especially those we choose to deny or discount or disregard. When are sins of omission also hidden faults? Explain the role of a close community of believers in helping individuals avoid self-deception.

**The voice of nature, v.1-4.** Many find the divine in the grandeur of nature. What is it about a majestic mountain or a serene sea that draws a soul to contemplation? Explore how this can also occur in mundane settings. Plan to pause this week amidst everyday nature in the city to seek and know the extraordinary God of Creation within a nook of ordinariness.

*Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.*



May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.  
– Psalm 19:14, NIV

Scripture read today during worship:

[Psalm 19](#)

[Mark 12:41-44](#)

[Psalm 121:5-8](#)

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**We're glad you came.**

## Today's order of service

Prelude

Call to worship, Jason Fuqua

Hymn number 64 in the hymnal  
*All Creatures of Our God and King*

Hymn, *We Praise You*

Confession, Clint Reiff

Hymn, *Ancient Words*

Hymn, *Word of God, Speak*

Offertory

Reading, Wally Ford

Hymn, *His Mercy Is More*

Message, Clint Reiff

Hymn of response, *Speak, O Lord*

Benediction, Paul Taylor

Postlude

## Weekly Events

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Thursday, 9am – 2pm,  
pre-registration required

Wednesday evening

Kids' Music Class, 5-6 pm

Dinner served 5:30-6:00 pm

Prayer, 6:30 pm

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Joy Program, Thursday, 9am-noon, conversational  
English classes, Bible study, crafts, and handbells.

Contact: Kelly

During-the-week Bible studies on Zoom or in-person.  
New groups will be forming at the end of August.

Erev Shabbot, messianic Christians, Friday at 7 pm

Young Internationals Bible Study, Saturday at 7 pm

Contact: Komal and Blessy

Young adults fellowship, Saturday at 6:45 pm

Contact: Sarah

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

### The church office has information on events.

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: [office@rtbchurch.org](mailto:office@rtbchurch.org)

The office is open Tuesday – Friday, 9am-4pm.

**Awana will begin again soon!** Children age 3 through sixth grade. We need volunteers to teach and help with games. Contact: Alma

**Cookies & Coffee**  
after the benediction in the Parlor

  
online giving



There will be a regular **Church Conference** on Wednesday, July 27 at 6:45 pm, for the purpose of considering amendments to the bylaws regarding virtual attendance at meetings and to consider creating a church administrator position to replace the church secretary.

Registration is now open for our annual **All-Church Retreat** to be held September 23-25 at the Trinity Pines Conference Center. Accommodations are available for individuals and families of all varieties. Registration forms are available in the office. [www.trinitypines.org](http://www.trinitypines.org)