

Service of Worship
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 28, 2019 9:30 AM

*Please rise as able

-- Ready for the Word --

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Traditional Scottish tune
"Flower of Scotland"

Choral Beginning by Boertje
*How very good and pleasant when we live in unity.
It is like precious oil, like fresh morning dew.
We gather here together with our hearts and voices raised
to God, who's the center of our unity and praise!*

The Light of God Enters

Call to Worship (from Psalm 136)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,

People: for God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord of lords,

People: for God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: O give thanks to the God of heaven,

People: for God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Let us worship our Lord.

*Hymn Hymnal No. 39
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Prayer of Confession

**O God, you know our hearts. You are aware of our deceit,
our jealousies, and our distortions of the truth. We can
corrupt your gifts so easily and have little sense of vision
beyond our immediate circumstances. Show us your vision.
Help us embrace new possibilities. Still the storms within us
with your transforming peace, forgiveness, and grace.**

We Offer Our Own Confessions in Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: This is a day of salvation, when brokenness is mended,
problems are seen in a new light, and fierce winds are
stilled.

**People: God's grace for us is limited only by our failure to
respond.**

Leader: Accept the gift of God's love and forgiveness, for it is
everything we need.

*Response Hymnal No. 169
"Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm!"

*Passing of the Peace

-- Receiving the Word --

Children's Sermon

Ordination and Installation of Deacon

*Hymn Hymnal No. 372
"O for a World"
verses 1,3,5

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 576) Psalm 136: 1-9, 26
People's Response: For his steadfast love endures forever.

New Testament Lesson (page 192) Ephesians 2:13-16, 3:1-12, 16-21

Reflection "Say What?"

Musical Offering by Fanny Crosby
"Lord, Here Am I"

*Master, Thou callest I gladly obey, only direct me and I'll find Thy way.
Teach me the mission appointed for me,
What is my labor and where it shall be.*

*Master, Thou callest and this I reply, ready and willing; Lord, here am I.
Willing my Savior to take up the cross,
Willing to suffer reproaches and loss, willing to follow if Thou wilt but lead,
Only support me with grace in my need.*

*Master, Thou callest and this I reply, ready and willing; Lord, here am I.
Living or dying I still would be Thine,
Yet I am mortal while Thou art divine
Pardon whenever I turn from the right, Pity and bring me again to the light.
Master, Thou callest and this I reply, ready and willing; Lord, here am I.*

-- Responding to the Word --

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Offertory

Hymnal Pg. 35

by J.S. Bach

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"

*Prayer of Dedication

*Doxology

*Hymn

Hymnal No. 606

Grove Sings Praises No. 86

"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

*Blessing

*Choral Benediction (from Psalm 89)

"My song forever shall record the tender mercies of the Lord;

your faithful love will I proclaim, and every age shall know your name."

*The Light of God Goes with Us into the World

*Postlude

by Trier, 15th cent

"My Song Forever Shall Record"



Mt. Pisgah Altare on Shade Mountain, Snyder County, PA

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Participants in today's service: Bill Gibson (prelude and offertory), Kessey Kieselhorst (worship leader and musical offering), Noah Baylor (acolyte), Senior Choir (choral beginning and benediction), Lynne Pabst (children's sermon), Gary Christian and Eric Deeter (Deacons), Amanda Leicht (Elder), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Steve Cureton (reflection). Next week's reflection by Rev. Sally Dries: "*Soul Investment*"

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