

Service of Worship

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 11, 2019 9:30 AM

*Please rise as able

-- Ready for the Word --

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude by Gomes

“Ave Maria”

Introit by Chambers

“Be Exalted”

Choir:

*I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord among the people,
I will sing praises to Thee among the nations.
For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the heavens;
And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds.*

Congregation:

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens,
Let Thy glory be over all the earth. (2x)**

The Light of God Enters

Call to Worship – *from 2 Corinthians 5:16-17 CEB*

Leader: We must be careful not to judge people as they seem.

People: Though we once judged Christ this way, we do so no longer.

Leader: Anyone who belongs to Christ is a new person.

People: The past is forgotten, and everything is new!

All: Let us praise our God!

*Hymn Hymnal No. 611

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Prayer of Confession

God of compassion, you are like a mother hen caring for your children. You show us grace and mercy in every moment of our lives. May we have the grace to see ourselves as the new creation which you have made us. Forgive us for the times we have acted like one who was forgiven their debts and walked away without gratitude. Forgive the times when we choose pride over grace and ego over restraint. Forgive the

moments we harm ourselves in our sin and brokenness as well as the people who we see and those who we do not see. We acknowledge those who we know we have hurt, and those who we do not know. Amen.

We Offer Our Own Confessions in Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: In and through the blessed grace of our Lord in Christ, we know that we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God, today, tomorrow, and forever more.

*Response Hymnal No. 366

verse 4

**Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

*Passing of the Peace

-- Receiving the Word --

Children’s Sermon

*Hymn Grove Songbook No. 101

“You Are My All in All”

Led by Jason and Laurie Clapper

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 12) Genesis 16:1-13

New Testament Lesson (page 179) 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Reflection **“The One Who Sees Us”**

Musical Offering arranged by Schrader

“Here I Am, Lord”

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord...

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord...

Responding to the Word --

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Offertory

“Prayer of St. Gregory”

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

*Blessing

Musical Benediction – *please be seated*

“The Lord's Prayer”

The Light of God Goes with Us into the World

Congregational Meeting follows the Service of Worship

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Participants in today's service: Bryan Holmes (welcome and announcements), James Kent (prelude and benediction), Birgit Dugan (worship leader), Sydney and Charlotte Hackenberg (acolytes), Rev. Jason Clapper (children's sermon and reflection), Senior Choir (introit and musical offering), James and Andrea Kent (offertory), Kathy Zakarian and Karen Tinstman (Deacons), Joy Christian (organist). Next week's service is outdoor in the Courtyard: Rev. Robert Andrews' reflection: "Wild Grapes".



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