

Service of Worship
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 2019 9:30 AM

*Please rise as able

-- Ready for the Word --

Announcements and Welcome

Musical Prelude by Handel

“Hornpipe” (from *Water Music*)

Choral Beginning by Chepponis

Go up to the altar of God, the God of our gladness and joy.

Raise up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

The Light of God Enters

*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us worship the One who nourishes us,

People: who satisfies us in parched places and makes our bones strong.

Leader: Let us worship the One who calls us,

People: who leads us to compassion and draws us nearer to justice.

Leader: Let us worship the One who creates us,

People: who forms and reforms us in the image of our maker.

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

*Hymn Hymnal No. 32

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Prayer of Confession

You are faithful, O God of mercy, from everlasting to everlasting. Forgive us when our faith withers, our passion grows weary, and our focus wanes. You are loving, O God of mercy, from everlasting to everlasting. Forgive us when our love is too shallow, our compassion too slow, our status too important. You are the creator, O God of mercy, from everlasting to everlasting. Forgive us when we fear that you have stopped creating, stopped calling, stopped reforming. Convict us, enliven us, and lead us to know the depth of your steadfast love. Hear now our own silent prayers:

We Offer Our Own Confessions in Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the Good News! We are loved by a steadfast God, forgiven through Christ, and empowered by the Spirit into new life.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Passing of the Peace

-- Receiving the Word --

Children’s Sermon

*Hymn Insert

“Glorious Day”

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 699) Jeremiah 2:4-13

New Testament Lesson (page 77) Luke 14:1, 7-14

Reflection **“Table of Plenty”**

Musical Offering by Getty and Townsend

“Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn)”

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us and we remember the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.

*Refrain: So we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace; around the table of the King.*

*The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ torn for you: eat and remember.
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life, paid the price to make us one.*

Refrain

*The blood that cleanses every stain of sin shed for you drink and remember:
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.*

Refrain

*And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again.
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.*

-- Responding to the Word --

*Nicene Creed Hymnal Pg. 34

Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors) Hymnal Pg. 35

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Offertory

arranged by Shackley

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

*Doxology

Hymnal No. 606

*Invitation

Communion Prayer

May God be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**
Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Breaking of Bread Communion of the People

(Please come forward using the center aisle to receive the bread and cup.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We thank you, God, for the gifts you give us: for the bread of our being loved, for the wine of our joy, for our life together. And now having been refreshed at this table, may we be bread and wine for each other and for your world. Amen.

*Hymn

Hymnal No. 700

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

*Blessing

*Choral Benediction

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

*Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound;
may the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.*

*The Light of God Goes with Us into the World

*Postlude

by Price

“Christ the Cornerstone”

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Participants in today’s service: Beth Christian (worship leader), Eric Deeter (children’s sermon), Cathy Sanders (musical offering), Galen Stamm and Kylie Welliver (Junior Deacons), Linda Moyer and Pam Franklin (Deacons), Steve Lewis, Beth Christian, Dave Betz, Francis Moyer, and Wendy Adelsberger (Communion Elders), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Sally Dries, Pastor (reflection). Next week’s reflection by Rev. Sally Dries: “*Growing Up in Christ*”



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