

September 12, 2021

16th Sunday after Pentecost

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**All may stand as able*

Liturgist: Julie Helmers

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Julie Helmers

Prelude *When Morning Gilds the Skies* arr. E. Broughton

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

**People: Let us praise the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Let us praise Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

People: His mercy is from everlasting to everlasting.

Leader: Let us praise the Holy Spirit.

**People: The Holy Spirit in-fills us with wisdom from above
and gives us strength for daily living.**

**All: Blessing and honor, glory and might be unto the
Lord God Almighty!**

*** HYMN 1** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* NICAEA

INVOCATION (All) Dr. Dawson Harmon

**God of glory, Lord of love, you are holy, and your ways amaze us.
You sent your Son into the world to bring good news to those
humble enough to listen; to proclaim release to those held in
captivity by sin; to open blind eyes to the ways of your Kingdom;
to let the oppressed go free; and to proclaim to us the year of the
Lord's favor. He taught with authority, and many followed Him
and believed.**

**We rejoice that we are blessed to be among those who believed.
Fill us with the joy of our salvation. Feed us from above this day.
Give to us the mind of Christ. Open our ears to hear your voice.
Open our eyes to see new opportunities to serve you as we hold
your people in our hearts. We have come to worship. May we see
your glory. Amen.**

CONFESSING TO GOD

A CELEBRATION OF FORGIVENESS Psalm 32 (The Message)

Minister: Count yourself lucky, how happy you must be-
you get a fresh start; your slate is wiped clean.
Count yourself lucky- God holds nothing against you
and you are holding nothing back from Him.

**People: When I kept it all inside, my bones turned to
powder, my words became daylong groans.
The pressure never let up, all the juices of my life
dried up. Then I let it all out. I said, "I will make a
clean sweep of my failures to God." Suddenly, the
pressure was gone- my guilt dissolved, my sin
disappeared.**

(Silent Prayer of Confession)

Minister: These things add up. Every one of us needs to pray;
when all hell breaks loose and the dam bursts, we'll
be on high ground, untouched. Let me give you some
good advice; I'm looking you in the eye and giving it
to you straight. "Don't be ornery like a horse or mule
that needs bit and bridle to stay on track." God-
defiers are always in trouble. God-affirmers find
themselves loved every time they turn around.

**All: Celebrate God. Sing together- everyone! All you
honest hearts, raise the roof!**

***GLORIA PATRI**
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Julie Helmers

OLD TESTAMENT **Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

ANTHEM *Psalm 139* Allen Pote

Lord, you have searched me and known me,
You know everything I do, when I rise up,
when I lie down, you are with me through and through.
Before a word is on my tongue, you know what I will say
Your presence follows me day by day.
Where can I flee from your spirit? Where can I go to run away?
If I go to heaven, or live in hell, you are there.
Lord, you have searched me and known me,
You know everything I do, when I rise up,
when I lie down, you are with me through and through.
Before a word is on my tongue, you know what I will say
Your presence follows me day by day.
Search me, O God, and know me, try me and know my heart.
See if there be any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

GOSPEL READING **Luke 4:14-21**

SERMON *“God’s Plan – Finding Yourself* Dr. Dawson Harmon
In His Grand Design”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed**
**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and
earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was
conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he
descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God
the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITLES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *Rock of Ages* arr. Alice Jordan

*** THE DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER Dr. Dawson Harmon

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SENDING OF GOD’S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN 69** *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* HERE I AM

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING CHORUS *Three-fold Amen* Traditional

Postlude *Psalm of Glory* William Barnett

Congratulations to Rachel & Evan Richards (granddaughter of Anne & Wayne Thomas) on their recent wedding.

Prayer Concerns

for our church family . . .

George McLean	John Holcomb	Margaret Linville
Wayne Hughins	Melissa Scholl	Jim Gillespie
Nellie Songer	Al Greenberg	Martha Martin
Vernon Clark	Steve Mannich	Laura Reichert
Terri Clark	Anne Thomas	

for our extended family . . .

Grace Miller	Bill & Julie Wills	Garry Vincent
C. J. Fonte	Kennon Little	Donnie Bates
Clara Beach	Trent Schindler	Zoe
Jessica Watkins	Heather Odell	Fred Esleck
Mary Hammett	Margaret Stallings	Deborah Waldron
Shirley Lafan	Debra Jackson	Mona Looser
Rebecca Mueller	Ronnie Eades	Sonia Burrage
George Fluke	Caitlin Lindsey	Cheryl Kelley
Janice Scholl	Tom Winter	Dana Walden
Uwe Bach	Johnny Orr	Jeff Hamrick
Julia Waldo	Jay Cleveland	Ed Vermeulen
Myra & Houston Davis	Jim & Norma Carroll	Paul & Sarah Drake
Shirlyn & Gary McKenzie	Rachel Justice	
Derek & Lauren Webber	David Ross	

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