

Service for the Lord's Day

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 9, 2014

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

Baptized in Christ, we are raised to new life. Increase in us our faith, and keep us watchful, that we may welcome Christ with joy when he comes to set the whole world free! Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE #350 "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" African American Spiritual

WELCOME Lynn Tieken

*INTROIT #358 "Steal Away" (v. 1 & 3) African American Spiritual

*CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, listen! The Lord has done marvelous things.

God will speak to us in parables, and tell us stories lived out by our grandparents.

If we will but listen and remember,

We will discover all the wonders God has in store for us.

If we will but share these words of hope,

We can tell our children and grandchildren the glorious stories of our God.

*HYMN #362 "Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers" Welch Folk Melody

BLANKET MINISTRY

CALL TO CONFESSION

How quickly we forget – our faith, our calling, our hope. All because we try to do everything our way, rather than God's. But God is quick to forgive, and to restore us to new life. So, let us confess to our God. We will pray first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

SILENT PRAYER (A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Sovereign, you are pure light and wonder and glory. You are our strength and our delight. You give us all we need to live. Yet we are distracted by all that glitters, continually grasping for more. Rather than trust in your provision, we chase after our own happiness. Forgive us, Lord, and turn us back to you. Overwhelm us with your goodness and cover us with your grace, for we know that you are the font of all that is good. In the name of the Risen One, we pray. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

*"Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Believe the gospel! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

We will speak the truth and we will live in God's hope. We will share God's mercy because God has been merciful to us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*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.* #580

ANTHEM "Thanks Be to God" Bert Lowe

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE Joshua 24: 1-3, 14-25 Bibles, p. 205 /LG. p.266

The Word of the Lord *Thanks be to God*

HYMN #819 "Be Still, My Soul" Sibelius, 1899

SECOND SCRIPTURE Matthew 25: 1-13 Bibles, p. 26 / LG. p. 34

The Word of the Lord *Thanks be to God*

SERMON "Everybody Ready?" Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works?

"Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also restoring us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are thankful to God for all good benefits, so that God may be praised through us, so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and so that by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ." This, we believe. Amen.
– The Heidelberg Catechism Q. 86

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #350 *“Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning”*

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

*HYMN #350 *“Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning” (v. 1)*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #350 *“Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning” (v. 1)*

POSTLUDE

Selected

(* Those who are able may stand.

Bold italic letters indicate congregational responses.

This week’s prayers and concerns: Jack Clark, Syble DeLoach, Debbie Murphy, Neil Pennal, Peggy Morgan, Tolly, Jane, & Diane Dill, Carolyn Boren, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday Mornings	8:30 a.m.	Choir Practice
Wednesdays	4:15-5:15 p.m.	Kids for God
Thurs.11/13	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Sun. 11/16	Following worship	Thanksgiving Lunch

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The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

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