Service for the Lord's Day

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7, 2016

Remember the Sabbath and Keep It Holy.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

O God, you are merciful and kind. Though our sins are like scarlet, they become as snow. Wash us clean by your perfect goodness. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE Selected

Lynn Tieken WELCOME

*INTROIT #362 "Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers" Laurenti, 1700

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We are people who have been called to follow where God leads us.

By faith we can obey, even when asked to walk into an unknown future.

We are people who have been challenged to tell God's story to others.

By faith we have the ability to share the good news.

We are God's children who are invited to feast at the Table of grace.

By faith we will embrace our sisters and brothers in Christ.

*HYMN #49

"The God of Abraham Praise"

Maimonides, 12th Cent.

CALL TO CONFESSION

We would like to keep our sins hidden and our failures a secret. But God would not have us keep silent, but speak our confessions out loud, so we may be blessed with God's mercy and grace. So let us confess our individual and corporate sin as we pray, first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have a vision of all of us as your beloved children, Loving God, but we see folks whose language, dress, and skin make them different. You have a vision of a universe filled with goodness and beauty, and we damage it with litter, with violence, with name-calling and poor choices. You have a vision of a Table where we can feast on your grace and hope, but we line up at the fast food counters of sin and greed. Forgive us, Wonderful Counselor, as we confess that we are not "insiders" but immigrants searching for our true home. You love us enough to want us to be with you forever, so may we, as forgiven kids, take the hand of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who leads us into your kingdom. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

#580

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

There is nothing to fear. God's hope is more tenacious than our despair. God's joy is more resilient than our grief. God's love is more compelling than our hate. In the name of the Prince of Peace, our sins are forgiven!

By grace, we are gathered to God. By faith, we rest in God's promises of forgiveness and restoration. Thanks be to the Almighty! 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.

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 1:10-20

Bibles, p.593/LG. p.771

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

HYMN #350

"Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" (v.1&4) African Amer. Spiritual

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Luke 12:32-40

Bibles, p.70/ LG. p.91

The Word of God, for the People of God

Thanks be to God

SERMON

"You have sacrificed nothing, and no one." Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"It pleased God, in the eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, the only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and humanity – the prophet, priest, and king, the head and Savior of his Church, the heir of all things, and judge of the world. By the Son, we are redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified." This, we believe. Amen.

- The Westminster Confession of Faith 6.042

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Those who are able may come down the center aisle to be served. If you prefer, please remain seated and the elements will be brought to you. The outer ring of the communion tray contains white grape juice and the inner rings contain wine.

Sending

*HYMN #838

"Standing on the Promises" (v.1-3)

Carter, 1886

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #838

"Standing on the Promises" (v.4)

POSTLUDE Selected

(*) Those who are able may stand. **Bold italic letters** indicate congregational responses.

Flowers on the chancel this morning are given to the glory of God in honor of the life and birthday of Peggy F. Morgan from her family.

Into the Church Triumphant The Reverend Diane Dill

March 30, 1959 – August 3, 2016

This week's prayers and concerns: Jack Clark, Syble & Tom DeLoach, Tolly Dill, Jack Gray, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck, Debbie Murphy, Cindy & Bob Ratliff, Sue Williams, Dr. David Craig.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun. 08/14 Worship Team Meeting 12:15pm

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