Service for the Lord's Day

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2017

(each person prays silently)

May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear God, teach us to trust and obey you no matter what our circumstances may be. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE	"Chorale Prelude on 'WAREHAM'" "My Jesus I Love Thee"	Willan Jantzen
WELCOME		Carol Scoggins
*INTROIT #1	"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" (v.1)	Heber, 1827
*CALL TO WORSHI O God, be merciful to	IP o us and bless us; show us the light of your countenance	e and come to us.
Let your ways be kno	wn upon the earth, your saving health among all nati	ons.
Let the peoples praise	you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.	

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon the earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Praise the Lord!

*HYMN #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" (v.2-4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Lord watches over our ways. Let us put our trust in God's grace and confess our sins, first silently and then, with the Unison prayer.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, though you call us to delight in your teachings, we can become cynical and full of doubt. Do not judge us, we pray, but heal us and restore us to you. Guard us and protect us from evil, and sanctify us in truth; in Jesus' name. 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

The promise of our faith is that we are already forgiven and, in Christ's name, given the power to rise up and subdue all that separates us from God and each other. Receive the Holy Spirit and be empowered to be witnesses of God's resurrection power in Jesus Christ. 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.

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE	Acts 1:6-14		Bibles, p.110/LG. p.143	
	The Word of the Lord	Thanks be to C	God	
HYMN #318	"In Christ There Is No	East or West	" Oxenham, 1908	
SECOND SCRIPTURE	John 17:1-	11	Bibles, p.105/LG. p.136	

The Word of God, for the People of God

Thanks be to God

Kathy Loy

SERMON

Responding

"One in the Spirit"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

What is prayer?

Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, in the name of Christ, by the help of his Spirit, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

What is it to pray in the name of Christ?

To pray in the name of Christ is, in obedience to his command, and in confidence on his promises, to ask mercy for his sake; not by bare mentioning of his name; but by drawing our encouragement to pray, and our boldness, strength, and hope of acceptance in prayer, from Christ and his mediation. - The Larger Catechism 7.288 Q. 178 & 7.290 Q. 180

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Variation on 'Holy, Holy, Holy'"

Callahan

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

*HYMN #300

"We Are One in the Spirit"

Scholtes, 1966

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Living in the love of Christ, be open to God calling you into a new ministry. Jesus Christ has already given us into the arms of a loving God. Therefore go in the Spirit of peace.

*RESPONSE #300	"We Are One in the Spirit" (v.1)	
POSTLUDE	<i>"Toccata on 'Holy, Holy, Holy"</i> (*) Those who are able may stand. <i>Bold italic letters</i> indicate congregational responses.	Callahan

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This week's prayers and concerns: Debbie Castro, Syble DeLoach, Jack Gray, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck, Cindy and Bob Ratliff, Patsy Snelgrove, Sue Williams, the family of Alicia Rich, and the family of Dorothy Barry.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS				
Mon. 08/14	Adopt-A-Block	4:30pm		
Thur. 08/17	L.E.A.N. Meeting	2:00pm		
Thur. 08/17	Session Meeting	6:30pm		



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