

Service for the Lord's Day

Seventeenth Sunday after PentecostSeptember 16, 2018

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION(each person prays silently)

Dear Father, give us wholehearted devotion and willing minds to serve where, when, and how you call us. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDESelected

WELCOME Bert Lowe

*INTROIT #12“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” (v.1)Smith, 1867

*CALL TO WORSHIP

How precious is the steadfast love of God.
All people may take refuge in the shadow of God’s embrace.
Christ is the fountain of life.
In Christ we behold the Light of God. Let us worship God!

*HYMN #12“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” (v.2-4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

In the light of Christ, we see the darkness of our world and of our hearts. Trusting in God’s saving love, let us confess our sins, first, in silence, and then with the Unison Prayer.

SILENT PRAYER(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we confess that we have been led astray by the idols of our world. We have depended on our possessions and have not placed our trust in your grace. We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth’s resources. We have sought security in the might of the sword rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us, we pray. Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you faithfully. Through Christ 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: Christ unmasksthe idols of our world and frees us from slavery to all that would oppress us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
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.

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Proclaiming

ANTHEM #292

“As the Wind Song”
(Chancel Choir)

Murray, 2004

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Psalm 36:5-10Bibles, p.482/LG. p.627

The Word of the Lord*Thanks be to God*

HYMN #39

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Chisholm, 1923

SECOND SCRIPTURE

John 2:1-11Bibles, p.87/LG. p.113

The Word of God, for the People of God*Thanks be to God*

SERMON

“180 Gallons of Glory”

Rev. David Reeder

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Affirmation of Faith is from the Confession of 1967 (9.08)
In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which all

men stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all men. This, we believe.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Selected

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

*HYMN #733 *“We All Are One in Mission”* (v.1&2) Edwards, 1985

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #733 *“We All Are One in Mission”* (v.3)

POSTLUDE Selected

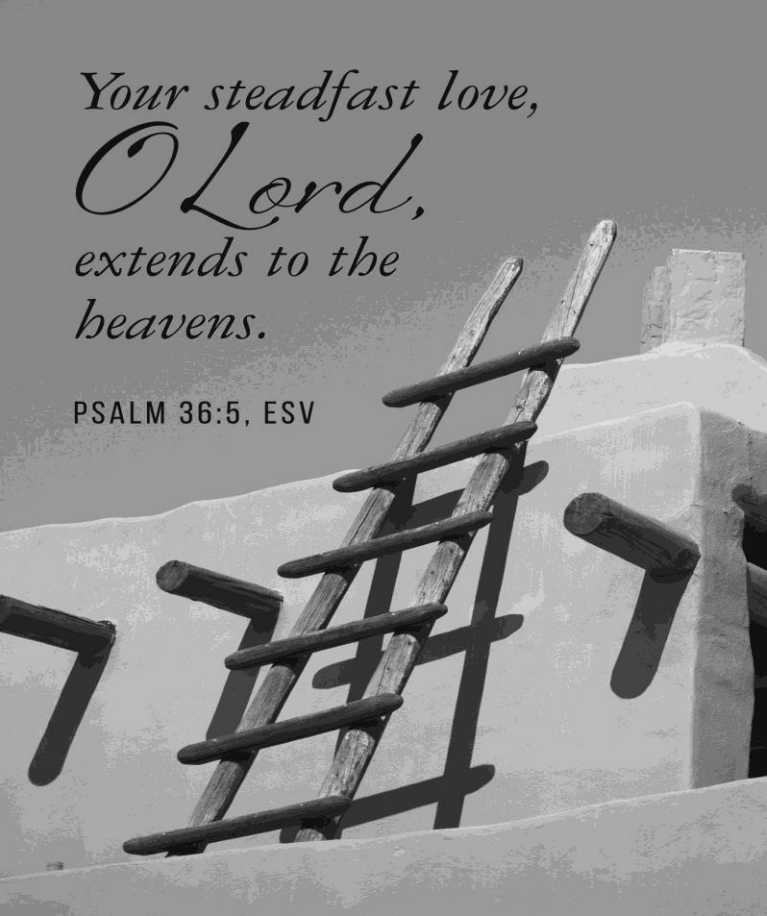
(*) Those who are able may stand.
Bold italic letters indicate congregational responses.

Rev. David Reeder serves as a Hospice Chaplain and Bereavement Coordinator in Longview, having been involved in pastoral ministry for over 30 years. He has a deep passion to see people's lives changed through the power of the Word of God, the ministry of the Holy Spirit, and the community of believers. Rev. Reeder and his wife, Sonya, are blessed with four children and one very special granddaughter. Just ask him how special she is! Many thanks for serving our congregation and bringing God's message to us.

This week’s prayers and concerns: Judy Andrasko, Debbie Castro, Syble DeLoach, Jack Gray, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck, Cindy and Bob Ratliff, Bob Schauwecker, Patsy Snelgrove, Billy Tapley, Kay Warren, Sue Williams, and Bill Caldwell (Katie Hurst’s father).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thur. 09/20	L.E.A.N. Meeting	2:00pm
Thur. 09/20	Session Meeting	6:30pm
Mon. 09/24	Pipeline Deadline	



*Your steadfast love,
O Lord,
extends to the
heavens.*

PSALM 36:5, ESV

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