

**LEARN TO
DO GOOD;
SEEK
JUSTICE,
CORRECT
OPPRESSION.**

ISAIAH 1:17, ESV

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Henderson, Texas

“Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences”

Service for the Lord's Day

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 11, 2019

The mighty one, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

Almighty and Ever-living God, may I turn to you in faithful devotion and stay alert to the work that you would have me do in your kingdom today. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE

Selected

WELCOME

Rev. Michele R. Goff

INTROIT

“Prayer of Peace”
(Chancel Choir)

***CALL TO WORSHIP - Responsive**

Liturgist - Jimmy Chapman

Come, O people! Listen for the voice of God.

We have heard God's voice in mighty thunder, in joyful laughter, in faithful questions.

Come, O people! Watch for the presence of God.

We have seen God's presence in rolling hillsides, in busy streets, in one another.

Come, O people! Taste the goodness of God.

We have tasted God's love in broken bread, in shared wine, in living water.

Rejoice, O people! God is here.

Let us rejoice and worship God together!

***HYMN #749**

“Come! Live in the Light!”

Haas, 1988

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Grant us, O Lord, the grace always to do and think what accords with your purpose; that we, who cannot exist without you, may be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

CONFESSION

It is only by the power of God that we are able to stand against evil. Trusting in God's grace,

let us confess our sin, first in silence and then together.

SILENT REFLECTION

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You tell us that where our treasures are, our hearts are sure to be. Forgive us when we treasure the shallow things of this world more than we cherish the depth of your grace; when we choose comfort over faithfulness, power over love, wealth over discipleship, selfishness over service. Forgive us, Holy God, and move us, that through the act of confessing we may recognize our failings and be freed by your grace to try again.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

*“Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us.”*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

***GLORIA PATRI**

#580

*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.*

Word

ANTHEM

*“In the Garden”
(Whosoever Will Choir)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20

Bibles,p.592/LG.p.771

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

Bibles,p.211/LG.p.273

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN #320

“The Church of Christ in Every Age”

Green, 1969

GOSPEL 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

Rev. Michele R. Goff

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE

To the Lord our God, Alpha and Omega, be all glory and honor forever. *Amen.*

Response

*HYMN #13 “*The Mighty God with Power Speaks*” Morgan, 1999

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - UNISON

The Affirmation of Faith is adapted from the Confession of 1967 (9.17)

Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. People are free to seek life within the purpose of God: to develop and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare, to work for justice and peace in society, and in other ways to use their creative powers for the fulfillment of human life.

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - Responsive

Our response this morning is: *we seek your grace.*

LORD’S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Selected

*DOXOLOGY

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Generous God, we give you thanks for all your blessings to us. Use these gifts we offer as a sign of your great love for the world, so that all may know and share the abundance of your grace; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

Sending

*HYMN #771 “*What Is the World Like*” (v.1-3) Tice, 2009

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

The blessing of the one God—
Spirit, Son, and Father—
be with you now and always. *Alleluia!*

Lead a life worthy of your calling,
Giving glory to God in all things. *Amen.*

*RESPONSE #747 “*The Lord Now Sends Us Forth*” Cartford, 1998

POSTLUDE

Selected

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