consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - Responsive

Our response this morning is: *hear our prayer*.

LORD'S PRAYER - UNISON

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

*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**

We give you thanks and praise, O God, for you have chosen the poverty of the world to make your people rich in faith. Help us to put our faith into practice through the offering of our lives— giving food to the hungry, clothes to the naked, and shelter to the poor; all for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, your Word made flesh. Amen.

Sending

<u>*HYMN</u>#729

POSTLUDE

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

African American Spiritual

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

... Alleluia! ... Amen.

*RESPONSE #747

"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"

Cartford, 1998

Selected

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"Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences"

(*) Please rise in body or in spirit. Bold italic letters indicate congregational responses.

Service for the Lord's Day

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2019

When the lost are found, there is joy in the presence of God.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

Selected

Lyte, 1834

Holy, Seeking, Triune God, just as we search for you, you reach out to us. May we be enlivened by your ever-present, awesome love. In humble gratitude we pray, Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE WELCOME Rev. Michele R. Goff "The Lord is My Song" **INTROIT** (Chancel Choir) *CALL TO WORSHIP - Responsive Liturgist - Katie Hurst We come to this place to search for God, but God is already searching for us. We come to this place to speak to God, but God is already speaking to us. Let us worship and listen for God, who calls us together and leads us home. <u>*HYMN</u> #620 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" **PRAYER OF THE DAY** CONFESSION SILENT REFLECTION (A time of silence for personal prayer) UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, you love and care for us, the sheep of your fold. You provide for us and nurture us with the food of your presence and the waters of your grace. Still, O Lord, we wander astray, as if we did not need your love. Still, O Lord, we wander astray, as if we could live this life on our own. Forgive us, Lord, and call us back with a gentle word and a reminder of your promises. Forgive us, Lord, and call us back with a shepherd's crook and a glimpse of your providence. For we fear we cannot find our way home without the sound of your voice to guide us.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kvrie 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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us, let us forgive one another. The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

***GLORIA PATRI**

#580

Glorv 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

"Agnus Dei" (Chancel Choir) Smith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW SCRI	PTUREJeremiah 4The word of the Lord.	11-12, 22-28: <i>Thanks be</i>	Bibles,p.660/LG.p.859 to God.
GREEK SCRIPT Keep these word	FURE 1 Timot ds in your heart. The Lord is	t hy 1: 12-17 our God, the Lord alo	Bibles,p.196/LG.p.253 one. Thanks be to God.
<u>HYMN</u> #187	<i>"Savior, like a</i>	Shepherd Lead Us	" Bradbury, 1859
GOSPEL SCRIP	TURE LukeThe word of God, for the peop	e 15: 1-10 ple of God.	Bibles, p.73/ LG. p.95 Thanks be to God.
<u>SERMON</u>	"Who f	ound who?"	Rev. Michele R. Goff
ASCRIPTION O	F PRAISE		
<u>*HYMN</u> #173	"A Woma	in and a Coin"	Vajda, 1990

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - UNISON**

The Affirmation of Faith is adapted from the Confession of 1967 (9.32-33)

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful