

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

Service for the Lord's Day

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2019

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

*Generous, Life-giving God: still the clamorous desires of my heart that
I may find contentment and rest in You. Amen.*

Gathering

PRELUDE

Selected

WELCOME

Rev. Michele R. Goff

INTROIT

*“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”
(Chancel Choir)*

*CALL TO WORSHIP - Responsive

Liturgist - Kelly Weaver

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O people!

Let us praise the Lord as long as we live.

Let us sing praises to our God!

*HYMN #41

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”

Grant, 1833

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CONFESSION

SILENT REFLECTION

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You create life and call it good. Forgive us when we cannot see the goodness. You call us to serve you and our neighbor. Forgive us when we serve power, money, or status. You are sovereign and worthy of our praise. Forgive us when we are too weak to trust, too afraid to doubt, or too tired to try. Hear us, God of Jacob. Meet us in our confession, and move us deeper into life.

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.*

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

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

*“Este Momento”
(Chancel Choir)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

Bibles,p.692/LG.p.900

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GREEK SCRIPTURE

1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Bibles,p.198/LG.p.257

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

Thanks be to God.

HYMN #766

“The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound” (v.1-4)

Tice, 2005

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE

Luke 16: 19-31

Bibles, p.75/ LG. p.97

The word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Lazarus and the Great Chasm”

Rev. Michele R. Goff

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE

Response

*HYMN #269

“Lead On, O King Eternal!”

Shurtleff, 1888

*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