## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which 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 THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Selected Hymn Jack Brooks
\*DOXOLOGY #607
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.
\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
-Sending\*HYMN #361 O Christ, the Great Foundation

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE**Selected HymnYou may be seated after the light passes you in the aisle.

**Jack Brooks** 

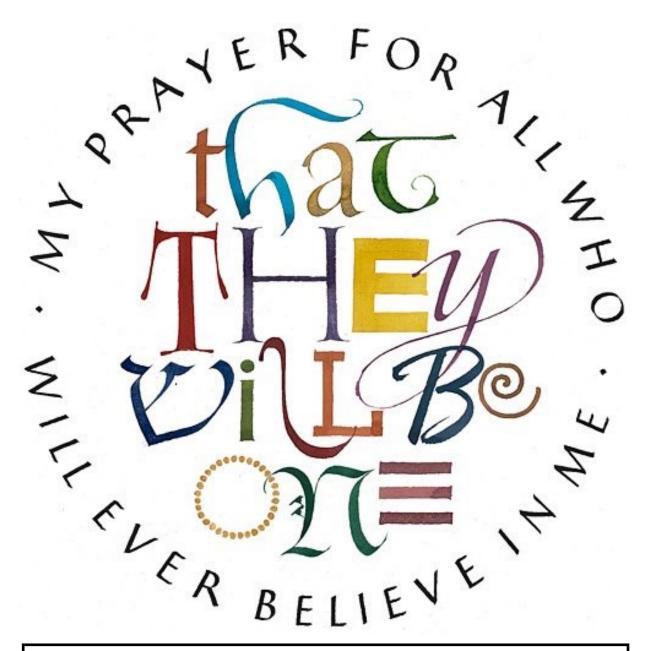


Debbi Ricci.....Administrative Assistant Jack Brooks .....Guest Organist

Fian Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences



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#### (\*) Please rise in body or in spirit **Bold Italic Letters** indicate congregational response

— Gathering —

Prelude	Selected Hymn	Jack Brooks
Welcome		Liturgist: Kelly Weaver
*Call to Worship		
The Lord is king!	Let the earth rejoice!	
We tremble at G	od's awesome works!	
The heavens pro	claim God's righteousness!	
The Lord is our g	guard and protector!	
Light dawns and	joy fills our hearts!	
Rejoice in the Lo	ord and give thanks!	
*Нүмһ #286	Breathe On Me, Breath of God	

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you desire that the world might see your light shine through us. Yet we confess we are often too blinded by the glittering temptations of this world. We turn from your way, hurting the very ones we were called to serve, in our action and our inaction. We grow frustrated with each other, seeking to silence anything besides our own desires. We fail to see your righteousness and champion greed and discord in the name of power and popularity. Forgive us. Melt us and mold us into more faithful disciples, seeking your light, reflecting your mercy, and sharing your grace. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

Friends, who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ alone, prays for us. Christ reaches out with endless love and mercy. Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made ready to love and serve. Alleluia. Amen.

## \*Gloria Patri #581

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—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATI	ON			
Psalter Reading	Psalm 97:1-12	Bible p. 521, LG p. 677-678		
First Reading	Астѕ 16:16-34	Bible p.128, LG p. 166		
SECOND READING The word of the Lord <i>Thanks be to God.</i>	REVELATION 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21	Bible p. 245-246, 316-317		
GOSPEL The word of God for <i>Thanks be to God.</i>	<b>John 17:20-26</b> the people of God.	Bible p. 105 , LG p. 136-137		
Sermon	We Are One	Rev. Jim Dees		
	—Response—			
*Нүмn # 300	We Are One in the Spirit			
*Approximation of Faitur (Apostlas' Grand)				

\*Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.