

Service of Divine Worship

July 19, 2020 11:00 a.m.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



- We Gather at God's Invitation -

Prelude

"Be Thou My Vision"

Timothy H. Goff, piano

arr. Ovid Young

Welcome/Concerns of the Church

Rev. Laurel Cockrill

- Preparation for the Word of God -

Call to Worship

from Psalm 139

One: God has searched us and known us. God knows when we sit down and when we rise up.

All: God discerns our thoughts from far away and is acquainted with all our ways.

One: Such knowledge is too vast and wonderful.

All: God knows us deeply and loves us endlessly. Praise God!

Hymn of Praise 33

"Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show"

LLANFAIR

1. Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia! saints within God's courts below, Alleluia! angels round the throne above, Alleluia! all who see and share God's love. Alleluia!
2. Earth to heaven exalt the strain, Alleluia! Send it, heaven, to earth again, Alleluia! Age to age, God's mercies trace, Alleluia! Praise God's providence and grace! Alleluia!
3. Strings and voices, hands and hearts, Alleluia! in the concert, bear your parts, Alleluia! All that breathes, your Lord adore, Alleluia! singing praise forevermore, Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

"Let us pray... Come, Holy Spirit, enter into us. Come, Great God into this, your House. Come, Lord Jesus Christ and dwell within our hearts. Your presence makes this place Holy as you meet us here. As we prepare ourselves for worship this day, we remember the waters of baptism, and your claim on our lives. Sower of the field, continue to be gracious with us that we may ripen into the children of God's realm and live with you forever, shining like the sun in Your heavenly home. We ask you, O merciful God, to look upon us with mercy for we know that we are not the servants you call us to be. Hear us now as we lift up to you our prayers of confession...

Prayer of Confession

All: ...Lord, you know us better than we know ourselves. You understand how we have wandered from your ways, how lost we have become. We are surrounded by evil and the

cares of this world, which confuse us and distract us. We confess that we have acted too often in our own interest and with little concern for others. We have betrayed those we love, lied to protect ourselves, and taken things to which we have no right. Loving God, forgive our selfishness and deliver us from evil and ourselves. Amaze us with your mercy, strengthen us with your grace, and lead us once again on your path. Open our hearts and minds to your Will and transform us.

Period of Silent Reflection and Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri 581

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

(Parents, please encourage your children to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples during the singing of the Gloria Patri.)

- Proclamation of the Word of God -

Time for Young Disciples

Rev. Laurel Cockrill

Hymn of Preparation 443

“There is a Redeemer”

GREEN

1. There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

CHORUS: Thank you, oh my father for giving us Your Son, and leaving Your Spirit 'Til the work on Earth is done.

2. Jesus my redeemer, name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain. CHORUS

3. When I stand in Glory, I will see His face. There I'll serve my King forever in that Holy Place. CHORUS

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Scripture Readings

Isaiah 59:1-15

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-40

Sermon

“Of Weeds and Wheat”

Rev. Mitchell L. Miller

- Response to the Word of God -

Hymn of Response 519

“You are My Strength When I Am Weak”

JERNIGAN

1. You are my strength when I am weak, You are the treasure that I seek. You are my all in all. Seeking You as a precious jew'l, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my all in all.

Chorus: Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name. Jesus. Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

2. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless Your name. You are my all in all. When I fall down, You pick me up, when I am dry You fill my cup. You are my all in all.

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Affirmation of Faith

The 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 at 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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

- We Go, Renewed and Redirected in God's Service -

Hymn 634

"To God Be the Glory"

Crosby/Doane

1. To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life gate that we may go in.

REFRAIN: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done!

2. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;

but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

REFRAIN

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

"Amazing Grace"

Traditional

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see!

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