

## THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, August 10, 2025

The 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

#### GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*Prelude on St. Stephen*

P. Manz

INTROIT

*The Mighty God with Power Speaks* (Psalm 50)

KINGSFOLD

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 50-1-6)

Leader: Speak to us, O Mighty One; summon us, O LORD, our God;

**People: Summon the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

Leader: Come, O God, and do not keep silence;

**People: Before You is a devouring fire, and around You is a mighty tempest.**

Leader: You call to the heavens above and to the earth;

**People: That You may judge Your people.**

Leader: We gather as Your faithful ones; we, with whom You have made a covenant.

**People: The heavens declare Your righteousness; for You, O God, are judge.**

\*HYMN #179

*God is My Strong Salvation*  
verses 1 and 3

CHRISTUS, DER IST  
MEIN LEBEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God: we stand in need of Your forgiveness. You have given us reason to rejoice in You, and in return we have given You reason to be displeased with us. We are quick to ask for Your help, but slow to express our thanks. It is so easy for us to give You praise with our words, but not with our lives. Forgive us, Lord God, and create within us clean and grateful hearts. Pour upon us the abundance of Your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*\*\*

#### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Children ages K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

ANTHEM

*Where Charity and Love Prevail*

L. Chapin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

**Luke 12:32-40**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks Be to God.**

SERMON

**“Making Life a Constant Prayer”**

Dr. Curtis Christian

\*HYMN #390

*O Savior, in This Quiet Place*  
verses 1 and 6

ST. STEPHEN

### RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

Gloria Patri

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

*Let the Godly Seek You*

L. Lloyd

\*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN #525

*Here I Am, Lord*  
verses 1 and 2

HERE I AM, LORD

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

*As Often As I Call to You*

ST. STEPHEN

\*POSTLUDE

*Siciliana*

W. Walond

\*Those who are able, please stand

\*\*\*Late Arrivals Seated

Today's Lay Reader is Beth Underwood.

*This morning's flowers are in celebration of the  
50th wedding anniversary of Melody and Mark Mitchell!*