THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, January 14, 2024

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

(Adapted from Psalm 139:1-18)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME PRELUDE

Leader:

INTROIT Son of God, Whose Heart is Peace TAMA NGAKAU MARIE

CILL TO WOLLDING

People: Even before a word is on our tongues, O LORD, You know it completely.

Leader: Such knowledge is too wonderful for us; **People:** It is so high that we cannot attain it.

Leader: How weighty to us are Your thoughts, O God!

People: How vast is the sum of them.

Leader: We try to count them—they are more than the sands;

O LORD, You have searched us and known us.

People: We come to the end—we are still with You.

*HYMN #324 Open My Eyes That I May See OPEN MY EYES

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, Gracious God; for we are tempted to despair with our own problems. Faith is difficult, and doubt is easy. We are often defeated by our weak faith and crippled by our selfish ways. Even our prayers become a way of avoiding our sinful nature. Cleanse us, O Lord, from our wrong-doings, and temper our lives not according to our whims, but according to the saving power of Your Holy Spirit. Through Christ our Lord, we pray. 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-3rd grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

Assurance Isaac Brooks, baritone

setting by John Ness Beck

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE John 1:43-51

Pastor: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks Be to God.**

SERMON "What Greater Things One Might See" Dr. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #389 O Jesus, I Have Promised NYLAND

verses 1 and 2

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

*DOXOLOGY #592 Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #339 Be Thou Mv Vision SLANE

verses 1 and 2

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION Go with Us, Lord TALLIS' CANON

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Thank you to Becky Shaw, Guest Pianist! Thank you to our Lay Reader, Tom Long.