

# THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, July 16, 2017

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

### GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

INTROIT

*I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say*

ENGLAND

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 119:105-112)

Leader: The Word of the LORD is a lamp to our feet;

**People: God's Word is a light to our path.**

Leader: May the LORD give us life according to the Word;

**People: May God accept our offerings of praise.**

Leader: The graces of God are our heritage forever;

**People: They are the joy of our hearts.**

Leader: Let us incline our hearts to yield to God's will.

**People: Let the Word of the Lord be a light to our path.**

HYMN #327

*O Word of God Incarnate*

MUNICH

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God: we know that we have failed to follow Your guidance, and have stumbled in our efforts to do Your will. Too often we have allowed selfishness to blind us, pains to embitter us, trials to discourage us, and fears to overcome us. We are mindful of Christ's love for us, but we are unwilling to deny ourselves and to follow Him completely. Pardon our sins, O God, and forgive our faults. Give us a determined heart, a committed mind, and a renewed spirit; through Christ our Savior. 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

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### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

HYMN OF OUR YOUNG CHURCH

*Christ Beside Me*

(insert)

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

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

ANTHEM *Create In Me a Clean Heart* Sherman

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

**Romans 8:1-11**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks Be to God.**

SERMON **"Where We End and Christ Begins"** Rev. Curtis Christian

\*HYMN #321 *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine* SONG 13

**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 *Gloria* Gloria Patri

MOMENT FOR MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE *Amen* Barker

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY #592 Old Hundredth

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*HYMN #223 *O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer* STUTTGART  
verses 1 and 4

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *O Word of Life, Be Thou My Soul* C.T. Christian/Horner/  
arr. J. Roberts

POSTLUDE

\*Those who are able, please stand

\*\*\*Late Arrivals Seated

**Today's Lay Reader is John Florell.**