THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, July 27, 2025

The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE Prelude on St. Michael

Jan Bender

INTROIT Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness (Psalm 85)

M. Guimont

Cameron Carpenter, soloist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 85)

Leader: Let us hear what You will speak, O LORD; for You will speak peace to Your people;

People: Speak to us, Your faithful. Speak to us who turn to You in our hearts.

Leader: Surely salvation is at hand for those who revere You;

People: That Your glory may dwell in our lives.

Leader: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other; **People: Faithfulness springs up from the ground, righteousness looks down from the sky.**Leader: You, O LORD, will give what is good, and the earth will grow in Your blessings; **People: Righteousness will go before You, and we will make a path for Your steps.**

*HYMN #452

O Day of God Draw Nigh

ST. MICHAEL

verses 1 and 2

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God: we confess our sinfulness. We have harbored unclean and selfish desires; we have spoken thoughtless and cruel words; we have done things which brought pain to others; and we have not done enough to lighten our neighbors' load. Heavenly Father, forgive our sinfulness. Open our hearts and minds to You, that we may live in harmony with Your will and receive the gifts of Your Spirit, 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-3rd grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

ANTHEM Seek Ye First Claudio Casciolini

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Luke 11:1-13

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

SERMON "Praying For What We Seek" Dr. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #333 Seek Ye First LAFFERTY

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 #539

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

verses 1 and 2

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION Bring Justice to Our Land

ST. MICHAEL

ELLERS

*POSTLUDE Recessional J. Mansfield

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Today's Lay Reader is Ava Stanley.