

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, October 22, 2017 The Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Praise Is Your Right, O God, in Zion

GENEVAN

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 99:1-8)

Leader: O LORD our King, Your people tremble!

People: You sit enthroned upon the cherubim, and the world quakes!

Leader: You, O LORD, are great in Zion;

People: You are exalted over all the nations.

Leader: Although You are an avenger of our wrongdoings,

People: You are, for Your people, a forgiving God.

Leader: O Mighty King, O Lover of justice; You have established equity;

People: And You have executed justice and righteousness in the nation.

HYMN #177

Lift Up the Gates Eternal

PROMISED ONE

Refrain - verses 1, 2, 3 - Refrain

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God: we confess that we have invoked Christ's name for selfish reasons. We claim to be faithful disciples, yet we do not commit ourselves to Your service. We call upon You to forgive our debts, yet we do not forgive our debtors. We promise to be obedient to Your will, yet we follow our own desires. Have mercy upon us, Lord God, and surround us with Your grace, that we may repent of our sins. Hear our confession and forgive us, for the sake of 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

HYMN OF OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Humble Thyself (insert)

arr. by Mary Harter

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

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

ANTHEM *If God is Building When We Build* American Folk Melody/
arr. Barnard

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

First Thessalonians 1:1-10

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

“Imitation Faith”

Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #324

Open My Eyes That I May See
verse 1

OPEN MY EYES

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

Traditional

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #435

We All Are One in Mission

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WALDVÖGELEIN

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Give of Your Best to the Master

Barnard

POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Today’s Lay Reader is Philip Gump.

*This morning's flowers have been given by
Bill and Winnie Mitchell, in memory of their mothers.*