

Worship Service ~ October 23, 2022, 9:00

20th Sunday of Pentecost

VISION: Be the body of Christ:

welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith.

MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Broadcast is sponsored by Diane & Gary Zak
in honor of their 59th Wedding Anniversary.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG ELW #532 *GATHER US IN* stz 1, 2

Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness
vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the
lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the
sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn
for your face; we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to
be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and
the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the
courage to enter the song.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *children are welcome to attend Sunday
School. We also have a staffed nursery available for those ages 0-3.*

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy
Spirit. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this
world as Jesus does.

~Silence for reflection~

L: God of mercy and forgiveness,

C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

L: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven ✝ and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray, Holy God,

C: our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Beautiful Savior"* Bill & Marlene Elmstrom

R: A Gospel reading from the 18th chapter of Luke.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Luke 18:9-14

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SPECIAL MUSIC

MESSAGE Chaplain Tom Nyman

HYMN OF THE DAY *ROCK OF AGES*

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed.
Be of sin the double cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring; simply to thy cross I cling.
Naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

MUSICAL OFFERING *"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"* by Bob
Moore; Faith Choir

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray. Gracious God,

C: in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Hear us, O God,

C: Your mercy is great.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN ELW #733 *GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS* stz 1, 3
Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of
turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever will be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by
morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath
provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence
to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for
tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by
morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath
provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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