

**Order of Worship**  
**September 18, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.**  
**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Introit

Welcome & Announcements

**PRAISE AND ADORATION**

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 113:2-8)

Leader: Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore.

**People: From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Leader: Who is like the Lord our God, the One who sits enthroned on high, who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth?

**People: God raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; he seats them with princes, with the princes of his people.**

**All: Therefore, we will praise the name of the Lord, both now and forevermore.**

\*Hymn: "Morning Has Broken" # 469

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

**Gracious God, you know our sin: we have often wasted the gifts you have given us; we have often failed to forgive as we have been forgiven; and we have been unfaithful and dishonest in small things while expecting you to trust us with the great things. Forgive us, O Lord. Make us faithful stewards of all things and generous in helping and forgiving others. In your holy name we pray. Amen.**

Confession Response: "**Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.**" # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

\*Response "Gloria Patri" # 579

**HEARING THE WORD**

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: Luke 16:1-13

Sermon: "Short-Term VS Long-Term Gain"

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*Hymn: "We Give Thee but Thine Own" # 428

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

\*Doxology # 592

\*Prayer of Dedication

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

\*Hymn: "God Whose Giving Knows No Ending" # 422

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response: "Amen"