

**Order of Worship**  
**September 25, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.**  
**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Introit

Welcome & Announcements

**PRAISE AND ADORATION**

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 91:1-6)

Leader: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD,

**People: “You are my refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”**

Leader: God will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence;

**People: God will cover us with his pinions, and under his wings we will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.**

Leader: Do not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday.

**People: For the Lord, our God, is our refuge in whom we can place all our trust.**

\*Hymn: “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” # 263

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

**Lord, it is easy for us to say that we will follow you and then when life gets inconvenient or difficult we turn our backs and act as though our commitment to you does not mean anything to us. You challenge us to take up our crosses and when we don't like what that means, we just shrug and turn away. Forgive us for our lack of commitment and faith. Heal us of our self-centeredness and fears. Give us courage to be disciples and enable us to joyfully proclaim your steadfast and transformational love in every season of life to those around us. In your precious 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 16:19-31

Sermon: “Dangers of the ‘Good Life’”

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*Hymn: “Fairest Lord Jesus” # 306

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: “Live into Hope” # 332

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response: “Amen”

