

Order of Worship
October 23, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Introit

Welcome & Announcements

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 84:10-12)

Leader: One day in your courts, O God, is better than a thousand elsewhere.

People: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.

Leader: For the LORD God, our God, is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor.

People: No good thing does the LORD withhold from those who walk uprightly.

All: O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

*Hymn: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" # 288

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

Eternal God, in you we live and move and have our being. But, your face is hidden from us by our sins and we forget your mercy in the blindness of hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires so that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, and finding in you refuge and strength.

(Take a moment for a time of personal confession ...) 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 18:9-14

Sermon: "Pharisee or Tax Collector"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "Lord Jesus, Think on Me" # 301

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Reception of a New Member

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: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" # 376

*Charge (adapted from Psalm 85:6) – "Will you not revive us again, O Lord, so that your people may rejoice in you?"

*Benediction

*Benediction Response: "Amen"