

Order of Worship
August 20, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 67)

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

People: So that his way may be known upon earth, his saving power among all nations.

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for God judges the peoples with equity and guides the nations upon the earth.

All: May God continue to bless us; so that all the ends of the earth will worship him.

*Hymn: "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" # 477

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

Gracious God, in Jesus Christ you have enabled us to share in an eternal inheritance with all your saints, and have called us to show your love to our neighbors. Yet, too often, we are impatient, joyless and ungrateful because we are surrounded by darkness and forget all of the many blessings you have sent to us in our lives. Forgive our sins, our foolishness and our ingratitude, Loving God. Give us new energy, so that we may faithfully serve as your compassionate people and give witness to the great mercy you have shown us. We ask this in the name of Christ Jesus. 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"

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HEARING THE WORD

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: Genesis 45:1-15

Sermon: "The Missing Vowels"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "Amazing Grace"

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Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

*Doxology

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*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, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me" insert

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: **"God be with you til we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you; with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you til we meet again."**