

Order of Worship
October 08, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Introit: "Alleluia" verses 1, 3 & 4

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (from Psalm 19:7-11)

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;

People: The decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

Leader: The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;

People: The commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

Leader: The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever;

People: The ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

All: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. By them we are warned; and in keeping them we find great reward.

*Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" # 138

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)**

God, grant me the serenity to accept the people I cannot change, which is pretty much everyone, since I am clearly not you, God. At least not the last time I checked.

And while you are at it, Go, please give me the courage to change what I need to change about myself, which is frankly a lot, since, once again, I am not you, which means I am not perfect. It is better for me to focus on changing myself than to worry about changing other people, who, as you will no doubt remember me saying, I cannot change anyway.

Finally, give me the wisdom to just shut up whenever I think that I am clearly smarter than everyone eels in the room, that no one knows what they are talking about except me, or that I alone have all the answers.

Basically, God, grant me the wisdom to remember that I am not you. Amen.

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

Greeting One Another

*Response "Gloria Patri" # 579

HEARING THE WORD

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: Exodus 20:1-20

Sermon: "An Empty Frame, or Not?"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation" # 361

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: "Breathe on Me. Breath of God" # 316

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: "Amen"