

Order of Worship
August 26, 2018 – 11:00 a.m.
Homecoming

Welcome & Announcements

Introit: "Seek Ye First" # 333

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (Psalms 122:1 & 150:1-2 & 4-5)

Leader: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the LORD. Let us worship the LORD with gladness and come into his presence with singing.

Leader: Let us enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

People: Let us give thanks to God and bless his name. For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Hymn: "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" # 210

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

God of the ages, you call us to walk seemingly impossible paths in our lives; but we often find ourselves stuck in the mud, thinking about our own weaknesses. You call us to trust you with our unknown future; but we prefer to stay with what we can see and understand. You call us to live by faith in you; but we find it difficult to live beyond our own abilities. Forgive us Lord. Send your Holy Spirit to us and empower us to live more faithfully as your chosen people, trusting in your love and care for us each and every day. In the name of Christ 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

Special Music from Phillip Pershing

Special Music from Our Children – "This Is My Father's World"

Children's Sermon

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:4-12, 23-25, 29-38 and 12:1-2

Sermon: "Lessons from the Woman in the Window"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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

Eucharist

Invitation to the Table

May the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift our hearts up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

*Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

Favorite Hymn Medley: **Please see the insert**

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: (sung to the tune of) # 540

"God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again."

Special Thanks to our guest musician today: Greg Marler.