

**Order of Worship**  
**September 29, 2019 – 11:00 a.m.**  
**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Welcome, Announcements and Prayer Concerns

**Introit: “Seek Ye First” # 333**

**PRAISE AND ADORATION**

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 32:1-6)

Leader: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**People: Happy are those to whom the LORD reckons no wrongdoing, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Leader: While we kept silence, our bodies wasted away through our groanings all day long.

**People: God’s hand was heavy upon us; our strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

Leader: But when we acknowledged our sin to God, and did not hide our wrongdoings, God forgave the guilt of our sin.

**People: Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayers of repentance to God; then in times of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach us.**

**\*Hymn: “For the Beauty of the Earth” # 473**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

Loving God, Lord of the Church, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with all our heart or served you with all our strength; we have been blind to the vision of a renewed world and deaf to your call to costly discipleship. We have been indifferent to the suffering of others and unwilling to forgive one another. In your mercy, Lord, forgive us and restore us, so that together in the ministry of Christ we may serve you with joy all the days of our life. 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 7:36-50

Sermon: “Responding to God’s Forgiveness”

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

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 universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Hymn: “Faith of Our Fathers” insert

\*Charge and Benediction

**\*Benediction Response: “Amen”**