



8:30 a.m. ~ Sunday, August 27th

PRELUDE

“How Firm a Foundation”

arr. Robert Hobby

Organ

WELCOME & RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

OPENING HYMN “Christ is Our Cornerstone”

OPENING LITURGY

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Moment of Silent Confession

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us by giving His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiven all our sins. By the power of His Holy Spirit, He has worked faith in our hearts, and transformed us to live as His disciples, reminding us always that in Jesus Christ, our Savior, our sins are forgiven and we are now called to live a new life in His truth and grace. May He continue to strengthen us, forgive us, and renew us to live as His beloved and redeemed children.

C: **Amen.**

RESPONSE “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Peter 2:9-12 [ESV]

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

R: This is the Word of Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL John 15:4-11 [ESV]

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

R: This is the Gospel of Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

STATEMENT of FAITH *the Apostles' Creed*

HYMN "Blessed Assurance"

SERMON "THAT I BELONG TO YOU"

OFFERING

RESPONSE "Great God of Every Blessing"

PRAYERS of the CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“Beautiful Savior”

arr. Michael Burkhardt

Organ

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

BENEDICTION

NUNC DIMITTIS

POSTLUDE

“Prelude and Fugue in E Minor”

arr. John Behnke

Organ



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