

8:30 a.m. ~ Sunday, September 17th

Organ

WELCOME & RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

OPENING HYMN "Lord Whose Love in Humble Service"

OPENING LITURGY

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

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Moment of Silent Confession

- P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: O most gracious God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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.

- P: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!
- C: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!
- P: Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers, consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,
- C: That you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever.
- P: Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for Your name's sake!
- C: We, Your people, the sheep of Your pasture, will give thanks to You forever; from generation to generation we will recount Your praise.
- P: I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, O Lord, and shall not be put to shame.
- C: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- P: Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- C: The LORD redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.
- P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
- C: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

KYRIE "Look Down in Mercy on us, Lord"

GLORIA "Glory be to God on High"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 2:41-47 [ESV]

So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need.

And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

R: This is the Word of Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL John 15:12-17 [ESV]

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

R: This is the Gospel of Lord.C: Praise to You, O Christ!

CREEDAL HYMN "We Believe"

SERMON "VOCATION: COMMUNITY

OFFERING

RESPONSE "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

PRAYERS of the CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P: Always and everywhere praise and thanks are due to You, almighty God, through Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, by whose perfect obedience and all-sufficient sacrifice we are bold to stand in Your presence, now and in the day of judgment. Therefore, with those who bear Your name on earth and those who praise Your name on high, we join in the everlasting hymn:

SANCTUS

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

"Just As I Am"

arr. Gordon Young

Organ

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

BENEDICTION

NUNC DIMITTIS

POSTLUDE

"Prelude and Fugue in C Major"

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Organ



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