

**12th Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 2019
“Seating Arrangements”**



Delta Presbyterian Church

Strengthening Christ in us

Sharing Christ among us

Showing Christ around us

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**Order of Worship
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Prelude
Tolling of the Bell

Ruth Vanderwerf, Pianist

Gathering for Worship

**Singspiration

Change for Change

Sanctuary

Sing aloud to God our strength;
shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

Psalm 81:1 (NRSV)

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Strengthening Christ in Us

Prayer of Confession

Art Kelley, Lay Leader

Let us confess our sins to the Lord who is our helper.

**Lord, all that we have is a gift from you,
yet we do not live lives of gratitude.**

**We ignore strangers
and turn away from those in need.**

**We seek honor for ourselves
and allow pride to take root in us.**

**Forgive our foolish ways, O God,
and restore us to you,
that we may walk in the way of love. Amen**

Time for silent prayer

We commit ourselves to

**Strengthening Christ in us,
Sharing Christ among us, and
Showing Christ around us. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Hebrew 13:5

Beloved, your sins are forgiven,
for God promises to never leave us.

Therefore, be at peace and stand secure in the Lord

We receive the promise of forgiveness through faith.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

**Passing of the Peace

**Response

Glory Be to the Father

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 13:1-8 (NRSV)

3 Let mutual love continue. ² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³ Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴ Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of

money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶ So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.
What can anyone do to me?"

⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hymn **Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace** (vs. 1,2,4)

Scripture Lesson **Luke 14:1, 7-14** (NRSV)

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷ When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸ "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹ and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹² He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴ And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Children's Sermon

Hymn **Seek Ye First** (vs. 1)
(Children may go back to their seats or to the PrayGround)

Proclamation of the Word **Seating Arrangements**

Dr. Barbara Edema

Hymn of Response **Called as Partners in Christ's Service (all 4 verses)

Sharing Christ Among Us-- Showing Christ Around Us

Offering

Response **Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Life in the Community

Prayers for Those Among & Around Us/Lord's Prayer

You will have the opportunity to offer silent prayer on suggested topics. After each time of silence, we will close with the pastor saying "Lord in your mercy" and you may respond with "Hear our prayers."

Closing Hymn **Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (all 4 verses)

**Challenge & Blessing

****Closing Response**

Go With Us, Lord

Postlude

****Please stand if you are able**



Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

We are pleased to have you worshipping with us this morning. We provide this information to help you fully participate in the worship of God. Please take a moment to sign the guest book on the stand in the back of the sanctuary (worship space) to the left of the drinking fountain.

We invite you to stay for our fellowship time following the service. Feel free to help yourself to the coffee and hot water (for tea) that is available in the back of the sanctuary before and after worship.

Everything you need to participate in worship is on the screen. If you are able, you are invited to stand when the congregation stands.

Restrooms are in the back of the sanctuary on the left.

There is information on the activities at Delta on the counter in the Commitment Center. The Commitment Center is on your left as you leave the sanctuary.

We welcome the sound of children in worship. If your young child is distracting to **you**, you are welcome to do any of the following:

- Get up and move to the back. The colorful bags have small items designed to keep children busy. They are welcome to play with them on the floor in front of the Commitment Center, or you may take the bags to your seats.
- There is a nursery available downstairs. Exit the sanctuary via the door on the right and go straight down the stairs. The nursery (101) is at the foot of the steps on the right.
- There is a cry room (202) where you can take your child. Instead of going downstairs, go down the hall and the cry room is on the right. You can view the worship service through a window. The cry room is equipped with a changing table.

Preschool through early elementary children are dismissed following the Children's Sermon. They may either return to their seats or go to the PrayGround at the front of the church.

Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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