

SERVING GOD AND YOU TODAY

Preacher The Rev. Nancy M. Ludwig
Liturgist The Rev. J. William Lentz, Jr.
Guest Organist Charlie de Mets
Lectors Stephanie McCurry, 8:15; Jeff Hovis, 11:00
Greeters Pat & Jim Zipperlen; 8:15; Bill Williams, 9:30; Jean Kratz, 11:00
Head Usher Jack Tarman
Ushers Lyn Matthews, Dick Rapson, Charlie Rumbel, 8:15
Dick Schroeder, Dick Millham, Mike Kearns 11:00
Sound Operators Brad Beck, 8:15; Brad Beck and Ed Travis, 9:30; Brad Beck, 11:00

PASTORS AND STAFF

J. William Lentz, Jr., Senior Pastor
Nancy M. Ludwig, Associate Pastor
Lilian L. Cotto, Pastor of Latino Ministries

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Charlie de Mets - Organist
Susan Tinney – Bells and Choral Musician
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8:15

September 10, 2017 – 14th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00

PRELUDE

Andante Moderato

Frank Bridge

APOSTOLIC BLESSING AND WELCOME

Pastor Bill Lentz

Welcome to our service of worship. Your presence is a great joy to us. Our hope is that you'll feel welcome and that the Spirit of God will touch your soul in worship. Please sign the Covenant of Fellowship, sharing as much information as you'd like, and then pass it down the pew for others to sign.

▲ Please stand if comfortable

▲ CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Loving God, we are here to worship you because we love you;

People: and we want to love you more.

Pastor: We need love in our lives, and we need to offer more love to others.

People: Help us to love all people – family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, and strangers.

Pastor: Open our hearts to receive your unending love,

People: and help us to love others genuinely and sacrificially.

▲ HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

No. 384

OPENING PRAYER *The Prayer of Saint Francis* No. 481

INTERLUDE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Stephanie McCurry, 8:15; Jeff Hovis, 11:00

EPISTLE READING Romans 13:8-14 Pew Bible (NT), p. 162

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *With A Voice of Singing* Shaw
Sanctuary Choir

▲ GOSPEL READING Matthew 18:15-20 Pew Bible (NT), p. 20

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

▲ GLORIA *Glory Be to the Father* No. 70

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

SERMON *Love Is Not Silent* Pastor Nancy Ludwig

Again and again scripture tells us we are commanded to love one another. We have an obligation to love sacrificially and without reserve which means actively working to see that the needs of others are met. We also need to be reconciled to one another so all Christians can live in harmony.

▲ HYMN *Jesus, United by Thy Grace* No. 561

▲ AFFIRMATION *Canticle of Love (response 1)* No. 646

OFFERINGS OF GRATITUDE

The flowers are in honor of the 57th wedding anniversary of Jack and Judy Tarman. We give thanks for the many wonderful memories and blessings we have received over those years.

OFFERTORY *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness* Johannes Brahms

▲ PROCESSION OF GRATITUDE *Doxology* No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

▲ PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

God of love, we thank you for providing all that we need. You have given us the gifts of life, love, forgiveness and salvation. One way we respond is to bring our gifts to you. May these offerings be used to show our commitment to help provide love, concern, freedom, and hope for our neighbors. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

Prayer Response: *Alleluia* Sanctuary Choir

▲ HYMN *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* No. 500

▲ BLESSING THE PEOPLE

POSTLUDE *Fantasia in C* J.S. Bach