

Celebration of Worship

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 30, 2019

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery & toddler care is available if you need it. The Young are welcomed to the front early on for a special time in the service. Please sign the Friendship Pads so that we can get to know you better, and join us for coffee in the Narthex after the service.

Thought for Reflection

“Sometimes the Bible in the hand of one man is worse than a whiskey bottle in the hand of another... There are just some kind of men who are so busy worrying about the next world that they never learned to live in this one, and you can look down the street and see the results.”

Harper Lee, To Kill a Mockingbird

“Scripture is not itself revelation, but it is one important way (not the only one) by which a community of faith keeps open its access to God’s revelation on which the community is founded.”

John MacQuarrie, Principles of Christian Theology

God Invites Us to Worship

PRELUDE *The Love of Jesus Medley* Hayes

WELCOME AND GREETING

MINUTE FOR MISSION – Tony Hubbard

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Call: Oh, how I love your Scripture, Lord.

Response: I rejoice in all that you have revealed.

Call: I ponder your word all day long.

Response: It makes me wise and never becomes obsolete.

Call: Your law guides my steps and keeps me from evil.

Response: I stay on the path you laid out, avoiding any detours.

Call: Your directions never lead me astray.

Response: With your instruction, I understand the true meaning of life.

Call: I hate false propaganda and deceit.

Response: But your Word, O Lord – your Word I love!

* Please stand, if you are able.

* HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* # 339

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

God Speaks through the Word

WORDS FOR THE YOUNG & THE YOUNG AT HEART – Rachel McKay

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *Jeremiah 32:27-34* p. 643

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON *II Timothy 3:14 – 4:5* p. 967

SPECIAL MUSIC *Andante Semplice from “Trio”* M. Dring

Sally Turner, flute & Susan Kieren, oboe

Music dedicated to Katie McNally

GOSPEL LESSON *Luke 18:1-8* p. 853

SERMON *Kindling the Presence of God through Scripture & Tradition*

Part 2 of a 3-part series: *Facts that Help To Form Our Faith*

Pastor Larry De Vuyst

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Portions of the Brief Statement of Faith 1983
(in unison)

In life and in death, we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,

whom alone we worship and serve.

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us

from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

* PRAISING GOD *Thy Word* Screen

Open the Eyes of My Heart

We Respond to God’s Love

BRINGING GOD OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Andante Moderato from “Trio Sonata in C”* J. Quartz

Sally Turner, flute & Susan Kieren, oboe

* DOXOLOGY (# 592) AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

* HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* # 361

God Sends Us Out to Serve

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING PRAYER

* BENEDICTION: (responsively)

One: The Word Incarnate leads us out and into the world, that we may embody His life to our family, co-workers, friends and neighbors. Go forth in the power of God's Spirit to love as Christ loves us – and to serve the world that He came to save.

All: Hallelujah and Amen!

* POSTLUDE

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