

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

World Communion

October 7, 2007

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand. **Bold type spoken by the congregation)**

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude

“Sicilienne”

Maria-Theresia V. Paradis

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call To Worship

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, with mercies that are new every morning.

Great is your faithfulness, O God, and the source of all hope.

You are good to those who wait upon you, O God, and whose souls seek the Lord.

It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

The Prayer of Adoration

*The Hymn 477

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

*The Prayer of Confession

O God, who by Your Spirit can rekindle the embers of faith, purge us of all sin and make of us obedient servants. We are guilty of pushing You to life’s periphery. We serve You only when it seems convenient. We follow the Christ when it is to our benefit. We call on the Spirit when our own efforts fail. Forgive us our twisted horizons and timid faith. . .(time for silent confession). . .

*The Choral Response

*The Assurance of Pardon

(1 Peter 2:10)

Once we were no people. **But now we are God’s people.**

Once we had not received mercy. **But now we have received mercy.**

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri

p. 579 in the Hymnal

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

(Please exchange this ancient greeting with worshippers seated near you.

Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: *Lamentations 1:1-6*

p. 933 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Psalms 137*

p. 709 in the pew Bible

The Anthem

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

Harold Friedell

A Moment With the Children

*The Hymn 424

“O Jesus Christ, May Grateful Hymns Be Rising”

The Epistle Lesson: *2 Timothy 1:1-14*

p. 258 in the pew Bible

The Gospel Lesson: *Luke 17:5-10*

p. 97 in the pew Bible

The Communion Meditation

“Measures of Faithfulness”

Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

TO RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD. . .

*The *Nicene Creed*

p. 15 in the Hymnal

The Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

The Service of Offering

The Offertory

“*Prelude in D Major BWV 925*”

J. S. Bach

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER. . .

*The Communion Hymn 507

“*I Come with Joy*”

The Invitation

The Call To Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

. . . in every time and place of Your glory:
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of Power and Might,
Heaven and Earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest . . .
. . . Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died;
Christ has risen;
Christ will come again. . .

The Lord’s Prayer

The Communion

p. 16 in the Hymnal

(As you receive the elements, after a moment of reflection,
you may partake of the sacrament in your own time.)

The Communion Anthems

“*Here At Your Table Lord*”

“*Pass It On*”

Jubilate Ringers

Dan Edwards

Peggy Bettger

Prayer after Communion

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD’S NAME.

*The Hymn 276

“*Great is Thy Faithfulness*”

*The Charge and Benediction

Look at your hands; see the touch and the tenderness,
God’s own for the world.
Look at your hearts; see the passion and the care,
God’s own for the world.
Look at your feet; see the path and the direction,
God’s own for the world.
Look at the cross; see God’s Son, Our Savior,
God’s own for the world.
This is God’s world,
And we will serve God in it! Amen.

The Postlude

“*Psalm XX*” (Homage to Benedetto Marcello)

Gordon Young