

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

July 24, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Bold items are the congregation's part. * Stand if you are able

Meditation:

“The worst thing we can do with a dilemma is to resolve it prematurely because we haven't the courage to live with uncertainty.”

~William Sloan Coffin

Prelude: “Lift Thine Eyes” F. Mendelssohn

Welcome and Announcements

(New visitors only please fill out the blue paper in the red folder. Others, please sign the white attendance sheets.)

*Call to Worship: (Worship Resources LLT)

Leader: Deep is God's love.

People: Wide is God's care.

Leader: God's joy flows through the canyons;

People: God's peace rests on the mountaintops.

Leader: How long is God's patience;

People: How lasting is God's kindness.

Leader: God's faithfulness reaches the heavens,

People: And God's gentleness soothe our worry.

Leader: Holy is God and worthy of praise.

***Hymn:** “Come Christians Join to Sing” UMH# 158

Opening Prayer:

Our memories are short, Eternal God, and we need your nudge to remember your blessings. We get caught up in the worries and wrinkles of living and lose sight of your abiding presence. The urgent and the necessary crowd out playful thanksgiving and heartfelt gratitude. We are polite but distant. We have manners but lack feelings behind the words. Forgive us, faithful God for outward obedience and inner resistance. Let your light brighten our way, your peace ease our anxious moments, your love heal our troubled minds, your joy kindle our memory and hope. Hear our prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

Special Music: “Lord, Listen to Your Children” K. Medema, L. Larson

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. David Calhoun

Pastoral Prayer, Joys and Concerns

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.

***Hymn:** “Standing in the Need of Prayer” UMH# 352

(During this hymn, parents are invited to escort their children ages 4-8 to Bible Story Time in the room across from the Nursery downstairs. At the end of the service, parents must pick-up their children. Thank you.)

Scripture Reading: Luke 11: 1 – 13 (NIV)

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us,
for the word of God within us, **thanks be to God.**

Sermon: "Prayer" Rev. Dr. David Calhoun

Invitation to Offering:

Lead us not into temptation, but toward your will. Lead us not into temptation but to the sharing of our gifts. Lead us not into temptation but to love through actions and through how we spend our money and talents. We now take up our morning offering.

Offertory: “I Waited for the Lord” F. Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

***Doxology:** UMH #94

*Prayer of Thanksgiving: (Discipleship Ministries)

All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return what is yours. We promise to use these gifts for good. We promise to use these gifts in furthering God's realm, and we commit to using these gifts in love and mercy of others. Amen.

***Hymn:** “It Is Well with My Soul” UMH# 377

Benediction

Postlude: “Cantad al Señor” Brazilian folk arr. G. Lachenauer