SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

JULY 31, 2022

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Shall We Gather at the River arr. Shackley

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 107

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good, whose steadfast love endures forever.

People: Those gathered from east and west and north and south are the redeemed of the

Lord.

Leader: Those who cried out to the Lord in times of trouble, God delivered from their distress.

People: Let them thank the Lord for steadfast love and wonderful works to humankind.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 175 Seek Ye First LAFFERTY

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you called us to be a servant people, but we do not do what you command. We are often silent when we should speak and useless when we should be useful. Have mercy on us, O God. Forgive us and free us from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Time for silent confession

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI 582

THE WORD

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 12: 13-21

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Rich Toward God

CHORAL ANTHEM Wayfarin' Stranger arr. Spevacek

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Beth Newman

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING THANKS

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING Give Me Jesus arr. Haves

*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER THE OFFERING

*HYMN 716 God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

SENDING

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

May the love of God go with you from this place. May your hours and days show forth His praise.

*POSTLUDE

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

arr. Page

*Rise in body or spirit.

Leading in worship today: Rev. Beth Newman, Transitional Pastor; Rev. Rachel Lackey, Minister of Music; Mark Brannon, Elder of the Month

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