

Bulletin
August 23, 2020
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

One: We give thanks to God with our whole heart.

All: We give thanks for God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

One: Though high above all things, God sees the lowly.

All: Even when we are in deep trouble, God makes us live again. The love of God lasts forever.

Prayer of the Day

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have conformed our lives to the ways of the world and not the ways of your kingdom. We think of ourselves too highly and regard others as lowly. We exalt possessions and power, when you alone are to be exalted. We let conflicts prevail over grace and divisions over harmony. Have mercy on us, we pray. Forgive and transform us, that we may be holy and acceptable to you, discerning and doing your will...

(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)

...through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Words of Peace

Response

Glory Be to the Father

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We Listen For God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson

Romans 12:1-8

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 16:13-20

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Who Do You Say That I Am?

Hymn

The Church's One Foundation

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Prayers of the People 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

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

**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.

We Leave to Serve God

*Charge and Benediction

Hymn

Song of Hope

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