

Bulletin Information
September 19, 2021
17th Sunday After Pentecost

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

One: Little children, the one who welcomes you is here in word and bread and wine.
All: Little children, young and old, all the baptized: welcome to the place of hope.
One: Little children, Jesus calls us all into the circle of his arms. Come.
All: Thanks be to God!

Morning Prayer

Gentle Jesus, you call us to live in your name with honor and respect, fully known to you and precious in your sight. Draw us to you each day as you teach us how to feed on your gifts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* PH-420

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, who makes known to us all truth, we confess that we are weighed down by our failings: envy distances us from other people; greed alerts us only to our own desires. Where we might bring reconciliation, we create conflicts. Where you call us to give, we take. Where your presence beckons, we resist. Deal with us, O God, not as we deserve, but forgive us, cleanse us, and teach us your way...

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

...in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Words of Peace

*Congregational Response *Glory Be to the Father* PH #579

We Listen For God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 11:18-20

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Mark 9:30-37

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Radical Servant Leadership

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

PH-403

Prayers of the People & 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.

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

*Congregational Response

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Affirmation of Faith

The 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

*Congregational Response

Song of Hope

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Postlude

Next week's text: Mark 9:38-50