

Bulletin Information
September 11, 2022
14th Sunday After Pentecost

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

One: The Lord looks down from heaven to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.

All: **They have all gone astray,
there is no one who is good, no, not one.**

One: Have they no knowledge, those who devour God's people and do not call upon the Lord.

All: **O that our deliverer would come!
Lord, restore our lives and make us glad.**

*Morning Prayer

*Hymn

My Lord! What a Morning

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Creator of the universe, we imagine that we are in familiar territory, that we know what to expect of this hour, that we will leave much the way that we came. Do not abandon us in our foolishness.

In judgement, illumine our darkness. In mercy, bear us home – until we recognize your presence wherever evil is confronted, truth is spoken, and life is restored...

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

...through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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 Reading

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm & Psalm Prayer

Psalm 14

One: Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."
They are corrupt, every deed is vile;
there is no one who does any good.

**All: The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,
to see if there is anyone who is wise, who seeks after God.**

One: They have all proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;
There is none who does good; no not one.

**All: Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and
do not call upon the Lord?**

One: See how they tremble with fear, because God is in the company of the righteous.

**All: Your aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge.
Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!
When the Lord restored the fortunes of the people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be
glad.**

One: God of wisdom and truth, without you our lives go astray, and we face corruption
within and around us. Show your mighty presence among us, that we may joyfully
proclaim your deliverance in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

New Testament Lesson

1 Timothy 1:12-17

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 15:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Joyful Welcoming

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us

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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**

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

*Congregational Response

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

We Leave to Serve God

*Hymn *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak* PH-426

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response *Song of Hope* PH-432

Postlude

Sermon Text for next Sunday: Luke 16:1-13