

For Prayer & Contemplation

'In Christ's sight, there are no insiders and outsiders, for we are finally of one nature and one flesh and one grief and one hope. And in Christ's sight, if we fail in love we fail in all things else, which probably means that faults of passion are less deplorable than the cooler faults we tend to minimize.' - *William Sloane Coffin*

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "Wondrous Love" - arr. Purifoy - *George Rabbai*, trumpet

Call to Worship

One: Lord, you hear us when we call. You lift up the humble and exalt the lowly.

All: **Lift us up Lord, that we might ask for your grace.**

One: You touched lepers and made them clean. You reached out to the possessed and purified them.

All: **Heal and restore us so that we can be whole.**

One: You called rich and poor, strong, and weak, humble and haughty, and gave them new lives of purpose and promise.

All: **Call us forward and make us disciples who let go of our worries and fears and follow You.**

*Hymn No. 19 "God of Great and God of Small"

Prayer of Confession

Holy God,
we confess that we find it easy to write people off,
and difficult to include them.

We look for excuses so that we do not have to change,
and we don't work to overcome divisions between us.
We accept things as they are,
and don't dream of what they should be.

Forgive us, Lord.
Remind us that you have welcomed us
through your sacrifice on the cross,
and give us the desire to take up our crosses,
and be vessels of your grace.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance

**Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation
the old life has gone, a new life has begun.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

*Hymn No. 643 (v.3) "Now Thank We All Our God"

**"All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given: the one eternal
God, whom heaven and earth adore, the God who was, who
is, and shall be evermore."**

*Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Time with Children

Scripture Mark 7:24-37 PG #: NT 42-3 • LP 52

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "On the Outside Looking In" - *Rev. Drew Harrison*

*Affirmation of Faith (*Westminster Catechism*)

One: What is the chief and highest end of humanity?

All: **Humanity's chief and highest end is to glorify the Lord,
and fully to enjoy God forever.**

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

*Doxology No. 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all
creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, your gifts are more than we deserve. We give you
our thanks as we offer up our gifts. Accept them, bless them,
and let them serve your kingdom as we do. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.**

The Prayers of the People

*Meg, Gorman, the family of Ginnie Mitchell, MaryPat, Heather,
Cheryl, Jeff, Joanna, Timmy, Dorothy, Sara, Jim, David, Ted, Irv,
William, Mimi, Rachael, Laura, Russell, Phyllis, Aaron, Nic,
Douglas*

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.**

Words of Institution *Rev. Drew Harrison*

The Sharing of the Supper

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, you have fed us with the bread and wine of
love and everlasting life. Send us out rejoicing in your gift
of love for us and nourish us daily with your steadfast
faithfulness. Amen.

*Hymn No. 693 "Though I May Speak"

*Benediction

*Benediction Hymn No. 742 "We Will Walk with God"

**"We will walk with God, my brothers; we will walk with God.
We will walk with God, my sisters; we will walk with God.
We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come. We will go
rejoicing till the kingdom has come."**

Postlude "O Waly Waly" (Though I May Speak) - arr. te Velde

***** *Please stand as you are able.* *****

Thank you to our Worship Servers

Liturgist • Darlene Jacobson

Ushers • Jeff Downing, Vicki Downing

Coffee Hour Host • Darlene Jacobson



Music Notes

Today's prelude is a shape-note hymn arranged by John Purifoy. The postlude is Rebecca Groom te Velde's 2016 arrangement of an English folk melody "O Waly Waly." The same tune, adapted in 1972 by Hal Hopson, is known as "The Gift of Love." Near the end of Ms. te Velde's arrangement you can also hear the ancient chant "Veni Creator Spiritus" (Come Holy Spirit) in the pedal. We thank George Rabbai for sharing special music with us this morning.



<i>This Week's Calendar</i> September 5-12	
<i>Sunday</i> September 5	10 AM Worship Service 2 PM Deacons Meeting - Agape Room
<i>Monday</i> September 6	
<i>Tuesday</i> September 7	
<i>Wednesday</i> September 8	
<i>Thursday</i> September 9	
<i>Friday</i> September 10	
<i>Saturday</i> September 11	
<i>Sunday</i> September 12	10 AM Worship Service 11 AM "Welcome Back" Coffee Hour with Deacons - Church Lawn

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The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Rev. Drew Harrison