

For Prayer & Contemplation

“It is a law of the spiritual life that every act of trust makes the next act less difficult. Trusting becomes like breathing, the natural unconsciousness of the redeemed soul.” — *Hannah Whitall Smith*

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude “Peace, Perfect Peace” - *Sanctuary Ensemble*

Call to Worship (*Inspired by James 3:13- 4:8, <https://jesusscribbles.wordpress.com>*)

One: Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

All: We long to hear God’s Word spoken to our hearts.

One: Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

All: We long to live lives of holiness and light.

One: God grants God’s wisdom generously to all who ask.
Come near, people of God!

All: Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

*Hymn No. 310 “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

Prayer of Confession (BCW)

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and soul
and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy,
forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
AMEN!

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (*Inspired by James 3:17*)

One: “The wisdom from above is first pure,
then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield,
full of mercy and good fruits,
without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy” (James 3:17).
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven,
and we are given a new way to live.
Let us accept God’s grace,
and live new lives of faith, obedience, and joy.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*From a worship service written by Bruce Gillette and Carolyn Winfrey
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*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 Psalm 1
Old Testament PG # 489
Large Print PG # 602

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Two Way Street” – *Lissette González Sosa, MDiv 2022*

*Affirmation of Faith (*1 Peter 1:3-5*)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
By his great mercy he has given us a new birth
into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
and into an inheritance that is imperishable,
undefiled,
and unfading,
kept in heaven for you,
who are being protected by the power of God through faith
for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

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

Holy God, we gratefully present these gifts and entrust
them to the power of Christ’s ministry. May these gifts bear
the Good News of the gospel to the least and the last. May
these gifts be signs of our welcome to the most vulnerable
among us. Bless our offerings so they might provide healing
and hope. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

*The family of Gerald & Constance, the family of Irv, Meg, Gorman,
the family of Ginnie, Mary Pat, Heather, Cheryl, Jeff, Joanna,
Timmy, Dorothy, Sara, Jim, David, Ted, 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.

*Hymn No. 291 “Spirit of Gentleness”

*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 “Where Charity and Love Prevail” (*improvisation*)

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

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>
Liturgist • Jacob Hwang
Ushers • Mike Ballard, Margaret Ginter
Coffee Hour Host • Mike & Dawn Jurkiewicz

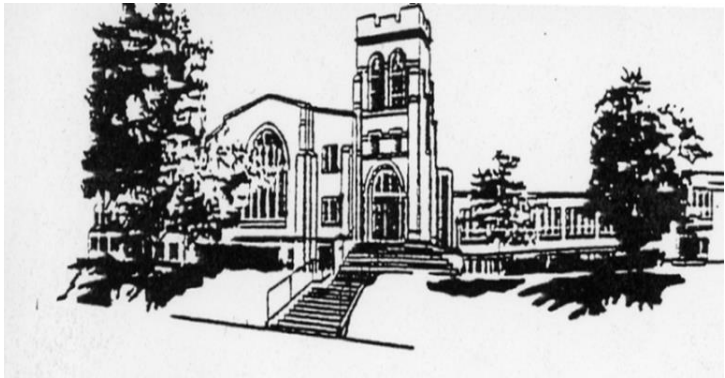


Music Notes

The prelude is a song from the Gaelic tradition, composed by Robinson McClellan with a text by Edward H. Bickersteth, Jr. We thank the Sanctuary Ensemble for sharing special music with us this morning.

<i>This Week's Calendar</i> September 19-26	
<i>Sunday</i> September 19	10 AM Worship Service <i>Sunday School Returns!</i>
<i>Monday</i> September 20	
<i>Tuesday</i> September 21	10 AM Nominating Committee - Library
<i>Wednesday</i> September 22	
<i>Thursday</i> September 23	8 AM Trustees 1 PM 100 th Anniversary Committee Mtg.
<i>Friday</i> September 24	
<i>Saturday</i> September 25	
<i>Sunday</i> September 26	10 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM Where Did the Bible Come From? - Agape Room

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10 AM Worship Service
September 19, 2021
17th Sunday after Pentecost
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We are so excited to welcome you back to in-person Sunday School! It's so good to see you!