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Bulletin

July 23, 2017

7th Sunday after Pentecost

8:45 am

Thought for the day

“Man cannot discover new oceans unless he has the courage to lose sight of the shore.” —Andre Gide

***Gathering Songs**

“Gather Us In” FWS 2236

“How Majestic Is Your Name”

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Rev. Frank Hallock

***Opening Prayer**

Holy God, We are such a rag-tag group of people. Some of us are at the “top of our game” and others just struggle to get through each day. Yet you draw us here where we will find friendship, peace, and hope not only for our lives right now but for all the times to come. Stand us up again, O God. Dust us off and put us back on the pathways of service and reconciliation. Warm our hearts with your love; lift our spirits with your power, for we ask these things in the Name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

Song of Joy

“Sing of the Lord’s Goodness” W&S 3010

Scripture

Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 in the Old Testament

For the Word of God in scripture,

For the Word of God among us.

For the Word of God within us,

Praise be to God.

Time with Children

Following this, the children are escorted to a time of activity and learning. Please pick them up in their classrooms following the service.

Song Before Prayer

“Breathe” W&S 3112



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Community Prayer

Our God, It is said that confession is good for the soul, but there are times, when we just don't want to confess, we don't want to own up to the many ways in which we have failed to be your faithful disciples. We have turned our backs on those in need. We have sought after power and riches, believing that these things bring true happiness. But you know us far too well. You know what is within our hearts and our spirits. You seek the very best for us that we might grow to be fruitful plants in your garden. Be with us. Forgive us when we have failed to love and treat others with respect and compassion. Turn our hearts back toward you, who always reaches out to us offering healing and love. These things we ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Special Music

"True Colors" (Steinberg/Kelly)
Praise Band

Scripture

Matthew 13:24-43 in the New Testament

For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,
Praise be to God.

Message

"Search Lights and Small Places"
Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Offering our Gifts

***Song of Blessing (Doxology) -UMH 94**

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

***Offertory Prayer**

Lord, we present these tokens of the many blessings you have poured into our lives. Make us people who are unafraid to proclaim your healing mercies. Help these gifts to bring hope and comfort to all those in need. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.



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***Sending Forth with Benediction**

Get ready to go into God's world. Bring messages of hope to all. **As we have been blessed, may we bring blessings to all in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

***Song of Sending**

"May You Run and Not Be Weary"

****Passing of the Peace***

Please take time to pass "signs of peace" with your neighbor as you take the love of Christ out into the world.

**Please stand if you are able.*



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This Sunday...

*Liturgist: Beth Brainerd Hallock; Acolyte(s): Stella; Video Tech: Jake Henselmeier and Sound Tech: Trent Hamlin. *Unless otherwise noted, scripture is from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Next Sunday...

Video Tech: Barbara Mitchell
Sound Tech: Suzanne McMurchie
Liturgist: Lauri Arrowsmith
Acolyte(s): Grace

Flowers given by

Victor and Patricia Avila in honor of their 46th wedding anniversary (July 24) and in memory of Patricia's father, William McGill.