

## RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith*

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah  
chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.  
Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel  
from the house of bondage. Loving us still,  
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, *including Concerns & Celebrations*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Andante from Sonata, Op. 120*

Franz Schubert

\*RESPONSE HYMN 716 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" BEACH SPRING

**God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,  
nature's wonder, Jesus' Wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:  
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise; thankful song  
shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN 702

"Christ Be Beside Me"

BUNESSAN

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING HYMN 541 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" RANDOLPH

**God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

\*POSTLUDE

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\* denotes standing as able.

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*July 17, 2022*

# COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: Green

10:00am Worship

*6th Sunday after Pentecost*

## GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

### PREPARATION

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### VOLUNTARY

*Sonata in G Major*

Domenico Cimarosa

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

In Jesus Christ, all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

**Through him God was reconciled to all things  
in heaven and on earth,**

and even to us,

that we might be holy and blameless before God.

**In awe and gratitude,**

**let us worship the Lord our God!**

### \*HYMN 12

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

ST. DENIO

### CALL TO CONFESSION

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful Savior, you stand beside us, yet we prefer to stand on our own.**

**You choose us, yet we choose worry.**

**You attend to us, yet we attend to our work.**

**Forgive us, gentle Teacher.**

**Call us by name and visit us once more that we might find at your feet**

**our joy, our purpose, and our hope. Amen.**

### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

### \*HYMN 581

"Gloria Patri"

Greatorex

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.**

### LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### EPSITL E READING

Colossians 1: 15—20

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 15: 1—6

### PROCLAMATION

Dana Waters

### \*HYMN 53

"O God, Who Gives Us Life"

NOEL