

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, including Concerns and Celebrations

God of mercy, hear our prayer.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Soon and Very Soon

setting Jack Schrader

*DOXOLOGY 606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH
**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.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 623 "I've Got Peace like a River" African American Spiritual

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN 765 "May the God of Hope Go With Us" ARGENTINA
**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

**Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

*POSTLUDE *Shine, Jesus, Shine* arr., Mark Hayes

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* denotes standing as able.

PIANISTS: Betsy Burmeister

LITURGIST: Jim Newland

MORE THAN FOUR QUARTET: Jim Anderson, Kathryn Fowler, Linda Rogers, Rich Reaves and Betsy Burmeister

PERCUSSION: Abby Horvath



August 14, 2022

COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: Green 10th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00am Worship

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PREPARATION *Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down* arr., Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY *Fill-A-Me-Up* Pepper Choplin

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Behold the gathering of God's own:
beside believers and among apostles,
drawn together as disciples and doubters,
we are shoulder to shoulder with shepherds and saints!
Since we are surrounded by this great cloud of witnesses,
let us run with perseverance the race before us,
looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

*HYMN 399 "God Welcomes All" THEMBA AMEN
1 X—CANTOR, 2 X—QUARTET, 3 & 4 X—CONGREGATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving Creator, with a gardener's tender touch, you planted your people to bear good fruit, but we bear wild grapes.

With a welder's fierce fire, you fashioned your people to glorify you, but we are riddled with impurities.

In your generous mercy, O God, regard the vine you planted: save and restore us.

Reform the vessel you crafted: cleanse and refine us.

Give us life, O God, that with our whole being, we may worship you rightly. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*PRAISE HYMN 583 "Glory to God" GLORIA (Taize)
Glory to God, glory to God,
glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God,
alleluia, alleluia!

LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 23: 23-29

NEW TESTAMENT READING Hebrews 11: 29-12:2

PROCLAMATION Dana Waters

*HYMN 314 "Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness" Bernadette Farrell
(verses 1-3)