

# Service for the Lord's Day

## November 17, 2019

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### THE GATHERING

**PRELUDE** - *Antiphon III.*

M. Dupré

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**INTROIT** - *Alleluia, Alleluia*

South African

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** - (*Psalm 145:8-9*)

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding  
in steadfast love.

**People: The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

**\*HYMN 281** - *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we know that you created us in  
love,  
to enjoy this world and you,  
to serve your creation and your children.  
And we know that we do not do your will.  
With clenched hands, we can neither give  
nor receive.  
With eyes tightly shut, we cannot see pain  
or beauty.

With feet of clay, we cannot dance in joy  
or run to help.  
We ask for your help and your power to  
change.  
Open our hands and eyes and move our  
feet toward grace and hope and trust in  
you.

This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen. \*\*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting!

**People: In Jesus Christ, God calls us by name, claims us in love,  
and brings us hope!**

**\*ASCRPTION OF PRAISE Hymn 473**

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this, our hymn of grateful praise.

**\*PASSING OF PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

The children have designated this year's children's offering for the **Heifer Project** and  
**Laundry Love**. If you want to contribute, we invite you to place your gifts in the  
baskets on the chancel steps as we greet one another this morning.

**THE PROCLAMATION**

**THE MOMENT WITH CHILDREN and CHILDREN'S OFFERING**

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.**

**\*or "Our Creator"**

**ANTHEM** - *Behold the Tabernacle of God*

William Harris

**SCRIPTURE READING** - *Matthew 14:22-43*

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**

**SERMON** - *We Can't Just Sit Around? Right?*

Rev. J. Patrick Vaughn

## THE SENDING

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY**    *Come Thou Font of Every Blessing*    Traditional arr. L. Pfautsch

### \*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

- or -

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN 285 - *God You Spin the Whirling Planets*

### \*BENEDICTION

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** – *Let the Giving of Thanks*

John Bell

\*POSTLUDE    *Trumpet Tune*

C. S. Lang

*\*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.*

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*The Rev. Heather Brown-Huston, Minister for Congregational Life*

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*Sunday Worship Service 10:00 AM*

*Church School & Childcare 10:00 AM*

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