Service for the Lord's Day November 3, 2019

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE - Alle Menschen Müssen Sterben

J. S. Bach

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT - Bless the Lord, O My Soul

G. Thalben-Ball

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP - (Micah 6:8)

Leader: What does the Lord require of us?

People: To do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God!

*HYMN 379 - My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, hear our prayer:

For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;

For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;

For the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist;

For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us;

We pray for the courage to admit our fault,

The strength to amend our actions,

And the hope that your grace awaits us.

Through Christ we pray. 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!

*ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE Hymn 403

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

*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 - Ave Verum Corpus

W. A. Mozart

SCRIPTURE READING - Matthew 11:20-24

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON - Business As Usual

Rev. J. Patrick Vaughn

***HYMN 386 -** *O for a World*

THE SENDING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY - My Lord, What a Morning

Spiritual arr. H. T. Burleigh

*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 467 - How Great Thou Art

*BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE - Amen in D

James McGregor

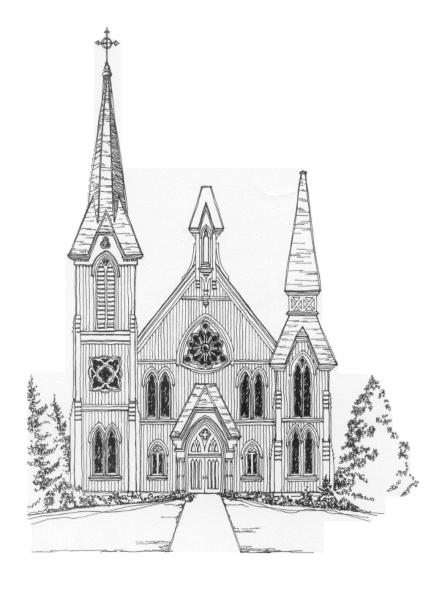
*POSTLUDE - Fuge in F

Vincent Lubeck

The Rev. Dr. J. Patrick Vaughn, Pastor
The Rev. Heather Brown-Huston, Minister for Congregational Life
John Lettieri, Director of Music
Elyssa Michaels, Director of High School & Middle School Youth Groups
The Rev. Leslie Mott, Coordinator for Spirituality and Practice

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