Service for the Lord's Day June 30, 2019

THE GATHERING

THE PRELUDE Dearest Lord Jesus H. Schroeder

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE WELCOME

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Throughout the ages, disciples have said,

"I will follow you wherever you go."

People: Jesus, give us the freedom to follow you in the ways of love.

Leader: We come from busy homes, filled with little time

to consider your presence in our lives.

People: Jesus, give us the strength to follow you in the ways of peace.

Leader: In times of struggle, we look to God for help.

People: Jesus, give us the opportunity to follow you in the ways of kindness.

Leader: Today, we celebrate the Holy Spirit,

who shows us the joy of following God.

People: Jesus, give us the patience to follow you in the ways of faith.

***THE HYMN 251**

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, is Sure

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Gracious God, you have blessed us with freedom—

freedom to love or to hate;

freedom to heal or to hurt;

freedom to offer mercy or to judge with indifference;

freedom to follow you or to wander away.

You ask only that we follow you in loving our neighbors as ourselves. In the midst of our turbulent lives, help us to find the gifts you set within us to share with others. And help us to follow in the steps of Jesus. AMEN.

*THE PASSING OF PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE PROCLAMATION

THE SCRIPTURE READING Luke 9:51-62

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON Short Cuts Rev. Heather Brown-Huston

THE HYMN 433 There's a Spirit in the Air

THE SENDING

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 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"

THE PRESENTATION OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY Duo sur les Tierces F. Couperin

*THE 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.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

***THE HYMN 248**

You Are Before Me, Lord, You are Behind

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

Poco Vivace

H. Schroeder

The Rev. Dr. J. Patrick Vaughn, Pastor
The Rev. Heather Brown-Huston, Minister for Congregational Life
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