

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP  
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 8, 2018

11:00 A.M.

*Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.*

**GATHERING TO PRAISE**

PRELUDE "Achieved is the Glorious Work" arr. Mike Forbes

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED

*Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance Card as it is passed.*

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*This is God's house – a place of peace where we befriend one another in the name of Christ. Greet those around you as a sign of God's peace and Christ's friendship.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the beginning, before time, before people

**ALL: Before even the world began, GOD WAS.**

One: Here and now, among us, beside us,

**ALL: Clearer than air, closer than breathing, GOD IS.**

One: In all that is to come, when even we have turned to dust,

**ALL: And human knowing has run its course, GOD WILL BE.**

One: Not despairing of the world, but delighting in it,

Through Jesus Christ, by the power of Holy Spirit,

**ALL: GOD WAS, GOD IS, GOD WILL BE.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" No. 152

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

"Where Children Belong" (congregation sings)

***This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.***

***Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong. This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.***

**CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER**

UNISON PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (ecumenical version)

One: Good morning, holy and gracious God. We live in a world of wonder.

The universe is your creation, born out of love and generosity. So we say - Hallowed be your name.

**ALL: HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME.**

One: Through centuries of thought and searching, your will and purpose were gradually glimpsed until, in Jesus,

All that was hidden was revealed, and you let earth be touched by Heaven. Hallowed be your name.

**ALL: HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME.**

One: So in the beauty of the earth, in the community of your Church,  
And in worship from the soul, we ask your help for the places of struggle we know (*petitions mentioned*). O God, hallowed be your name.

**ALL: HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME.**

One: And now we speak with the confidence of your children,  
the prayer Jesus taught all who seek to follow him.

**ALL: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
Now and for ever. Amen.**

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC                      "Be Thou My Vision"                      arr. Ronald Knoener  
*Northern Lower Brass Quartet, guest musicians*

READING FROM THE GOSPEL      Luke 11: 1-10                      (NT p. 72)  
*Key verse: Ask and you will receive. Seek and you will find. Knock and the door will be opened to you.*  
Leader: The Word of God. **All: For the People of God.** Leader: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE                                      *Just 5 Words: Keys to a Great Spiritual Life*  
The Third Word—"HELP"

A CREED IN ONE VOICE

**I believe in an innovative God,  
who does not wait for us to find ourselves  
but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.  
I believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial response to our petitions,  
that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power  
to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.**

**I believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us,  
calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty  
and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.  
I believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people,  
called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations,  
through our greatest questions and seeking and activism,  
as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.  
Because Christ has called me  
in this I truly believe. Amen.**

BRINGING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Hymn                      "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"                      No. 526

\*Doxology                                      No. 95

**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 Over the Gifts

**GOING OUT TO SERVE**

\*HYMN OF SENDING      "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"      No. 664

\*BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE      "Let Your Light Shine"      arr. Ron Knoener

*You are invited to remain seated for the postlude as part of your worship experience.  
(If you choose to exit the sanctuary during the postlude, please do so quietly. Thank you.)*

\*All who are comfortable standing are invited to stand.