

**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
NINTH SUNDAY IN KINGDOMTIDE**

August 6, 2017

11:00 A.M.

Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING IN CELEBRATION AND PRAISE

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: this new day is fresh with possibility
to ENCOUNTER the Living Christ.

People: With bright eyes, let us search.

Leader: This new day is fresh with possibility
to UNDERSTAND the Living Christ.

People: With engaged minds, let us ponder.

Leader: This new day is fresh with possibility
to be MOVED by the Living Christ.

People: With compassionate hearts, let us feel.

Leader: This new day is fresh with possibility
to RESPOND to the Living Christ.

People: With solid devotion, let us follow.

Leader: This new day is fresh with possibility
to PRAISE the Living Christ.

People: With strong voices, let us sing.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" No. 101

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

Calling the Children Forward "Jesu, Jesu" No. 432 (vs. 1-2)

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER "Jesu, Jesu" No. 432 (vs. 4-5)

UNISON PRAYER OF APPROACH

**God, you heap your love upon us
Like a parent providing for a family's needs,
Embracing a child with tenderness.
Forgive us when, like spoiled children, we treat your
Generosity as our right, or hug it possessively to ourselves.
Give us enough trust to live secure in your love
And to share it freely with others in open-handed confidence,**

That your grace will never run out.

Now, we pray for others we know who stand in need of your Grace *(silence)*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

PROCLAMATION IN WORD AND SONG

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"You Raise Me Up"

Dave Chrostek, soloist

SCRIPTURE

Ruth 2: 2-12; Acts 6: 1-7

(OT p. 242; NT p. 123)

SERMON

"Gleaning Fields and Serving Tables"

Rev. Laura Elliott

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Come forward as directed, where you will be given a piece of bread and which you may dip in the cup (gluten-free bread is also available). Please let an usher know if you cannot come forward so the elements can be brought to you. During this time you are invited to bring your offering forward to the plates available on the chancel.

A BRIEF FORM OF THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(see insert)

Hymn during Communion

"I Come with Joy"

No. 617

*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.

*Unison Prayer following Communion

**We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples.
Please use our gifts and our lives to advance your Reign on Earth.
Amen.**

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

***HYMN OF SENDING**

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

No. 664

***BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**