TRADITIONAL WORSHIP FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 26, 2018 11:00 A.M.

Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING TO PRAISE

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED

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

*PASSING THE PEACE TO THOSE AROUND US

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

Leader: In the midst of life we are in death, from whom can we seek help?

People: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Leader: We come troubled by dead ends in our lives.

People: Lord, Raise Us Up!

Leader: We come with hopes and dreams that have died.

People: Lord, Raise Us Up!

Leader: We come, Lord, to be revived in your presence.

People: Lord, raise us up and breathe new life into our spirits!

*HYMN "Christ is Alive" No. 318

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

PRAYER HYMN "You Are Mine" No. 2218

UNISON PRAYER

O God of Life and Love, even when we have experienced the depths of despair, the pain of loss, the uncertainty of change, you have placed before us the reality of new life, of resurrection, of unfathomable possibility. The mysteries of your presence are beyond our understanding. Your power to bring forth life is beyond our comprehension. In awe and wonder of your greatness in love, we bring our struggles and pain to you, confident that in your faithful ways you will give us strength, hope and joy. In the name of the one who is Resurrection and Life, Jesus the Savior, we pray. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 AND RESPONSE

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MINISTRY OF MUSIC "O Divine Redeemer" Susan Steele, vocalist

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 11: 1-6; 17-26; 38-45 (NT p. 104)

Leader: The Word of God. All: For the People of God. Leader: Thanks be to God.

Unafraid: Living with Courage, Love and Hope:

SERMON Part 5—"Hope in Aging, Illness & Dying"

BRINGING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Music "I Won't Be Frightened Anymore"

*Doxology No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT "Hymn of Promise" No. 707

*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

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.

^{*}Prayer of Dedication