

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN KINGDOMTIDE
November 11, 2018
11:00 A.M.
Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING TO PRAISE

PRELUDE "Choral" Louis Vierne
Oak Martin, organ

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 Psalm 95 (vs.1-7)
Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
People: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!
Leader: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
People: In God's hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are God's also.
Leader: The sea is the Lord's, for God made it, and the dry land, which God's hands have formed.
People: Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the, Lord our Maker!
Leader: For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture, and the sheep of God's hand. O that today you would listen to God's voice!

*HYMN OF PRAISE "For the Beauty of The Earth" No. 92

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN
"Where Children Belong" (congregation sings)
This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping 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 worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE
God of Light, wellspring of inexhaustible energy, exuberance, and love, we are here because our hope is dulled by habit, our vision is dimmed by contentment. We seek the vitality and the strength derived from a fresh sense of your nearness and your hope for us. We have become content with limited horizons; we expect the common place: sickness, tragedy and frustration. We fail to expect the miraculous and the sacred, joy and creative strength. We acknowledge how easily we become awake to life's coarseness and asleep to its holiness. O God, never let us close our minds to the varied ways in which you can reach us. Grant us

great expectations, openness, and vigilance, that we may say, “Speak, Lord, for your servant hears.” Amen.

“So if anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation: everything old has passed away see everything has become new. All this is through God who has reconciled us through Christ.”

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

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Here I Am Lord”

arr. Sherman

featuring the Central Bells

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry, All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night; I will go, Lord, if you lead me; I will hold your people in my heart. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright, Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain, I have wept for love of them, They turn away.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Samuel 3: 1-11, 19-20

(OT p. 247)

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

CALLED Sermon Series

SERMON

“Discerning God’s Calling for My Life”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Leader: Listen: The Spirit of Jesus is upon us because he has anointed us. He sent us to preach good news to the poor - those who go without the necessities of life.

All: Here I am, Lord, send me.

Leader: He has sent us to heal the broken - in body, mind and spirit.

All: Here I am, Lord, send me.

Leader: He has sent us to announce freedom for all captives of injustice and oppression.

All: Here I am, Lord, send me.

BRINGING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY HYMN

“Jesus Calls Us”

No. 398

*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 OF DEDICATION

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

No. 2153

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "The Grace of the Lord" Roberta Bitgood

*POSTLUDE "Rhapsody No. 3" Herbert Howells
 Oak Martin, organ

*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.