

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP  
TENTH SUNDAY IN KINGDOMTIDE  
August 18, 2019  
11:00 A.M.

*Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.*

**GATHERING TO PRAISE**

PRELUDE

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: I lift my eyes up to the mountains, from where does my help come?

**All: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

One: We look not to the mountains or valleys, even heaven or earth,

**All: For God is found among us.**

One: Wherever two or three are gathered in Christ's name,

**All: God is here among us.**

One: Come, let us worship the God of Creation,  
the God of People, the God of Community.

**All: Let us follow Jesus, for Jesus is The Way.**

**Let us worship together in faith.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

No. 139

A TIME FOR 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**

HYMN

"Lord, We Come to Ask Your Blessing"

No. 2230

UNISON PRAYER

**Help us, O God, during these waning summer days to find moments to turn to you. In quietness and returning to you, be our strength. Cool the fever of our over-paced lives. Refresh us with the gentle rain of your Spirit. Like the sound of thunder and the sight of lightning, startle us with new opportunities to serve our neighbor. We know you are closer than breath, your voice quiet and strong like a heartbeat. Help us to be aware of your**

presence and to hear your voice, for your word is our life. May our mindfulness of you connect us to the rest of creation for whom we now pray:  
For persons in need of healing...  
For leaders in need of direction...  
For lives in need of caring...  
For our world reeling from violence and degradation...  
In you mercy, hear our prayer and grant us your grace for the living of these days. 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**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC                      "The Gift of Love"<sup>-</sup>                      Claire Olinik, vocalist

SCRIPTURE LESSON                      Matthew 19: 3-12                      (NT p. 21)  
Leader: The Word of God. **All: For the People of God.** Leader: Thanks be to God.

SERMON                      *The Second Mountain Sermon Series:*  
"Covenants and the School of Love"

GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD  
Offertory Hymn                      "In Christ There is no East or West"                      No. 548

\*Doxology  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

\*Unison Prayer of Dedication  
**Great God of Heaven and Earth,  
you call us to leave behind our failures and preoccupations  
and to follow you into the future.  
Sometimes we find your call challenging.  
We are comfortable, maybe even complacent, in our present.  
May this act of giving be a gesture of our willingness  
to follow where love leads.  
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

**GOING OUT TO SERVE**

HYMN OF DEDICATION                      "The Gift of Love"                      No. 408

\*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.