

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN KINGDOMTIDE
September 8, 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: What does the Lord require of us?

All: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

One: God does not call us to ease or to comfort.

**All: But promises to be presence, and abundance, and grace
in our journey.**

One: Let us worship the God who believes in us, and trusts in us, and abides with us.

All: Let us worship the God who will ask much of us, but is beside us every step of the way.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"We Are Called"

No. 2172

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

"Where Children Belong" (congregation sings)

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

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CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

HYMN

"Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire"

No. 492

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

One: God, you call us to love you by loving our neighbor.

All: We confess you are still speaking!

One: In the lives of neighbors who suffer brokenness and pain:

All: We confess you are still speaking!

One: In the struggle of the poor whose rights are not honored:

All: We confess you are still speaking!

One: In a world crying out for wisdom, love and mercy:

All: We confess you are still speaking! Bless us to hear!

One: Let us confess together:

All: We confess that in our lives we often hide behind our work and play, schools and jobs, fun and fads. We let ourselves get so busy that we forget the cause of the poor and the suffering. We confess we allow the powers of this world to seduce us into complacency and silence our witness. Teach us to champion the cause of justice for all, strengthen us to serve our neighbor, share the gospel, and speak the truth with love no matter the cost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

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

"O Lord, Open My Eyes"

Jeffrey Cobb

O Lord, open my eyes that I may see the need of others, open my ears that I may hear their cries, open my heart so that they need not be without succour. Let me not be afraid to defend the weak because of the anger of the strong, nor afraid to defend the poor because of the anger of the rich. Show me where love and hope and faith are needed, and use me to bring them to these places. Open my eyes and ears that I may, this coming day, be able to do some work of peace for you. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 10: 25-37

(NT p. 71)

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

SERMON

"Compassion: How to Change Your World" Sermon Series
"The Lens of Compassion"

BRINGING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" No. 584 (vs. 1, 2 & 5)

*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

"O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

No. 2243

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

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*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.