Mission Statement:

"Our mission is to live and share the good news of God's love, grace, and mercy in Jesus Christ, to equip people for discipleship and service, and to work for social justice and peace."







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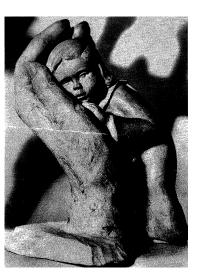
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 2, 2018

10:30 am

Lord, unwrinkle my tired soul
unsnarl my garbled thoughts and words
unwind my gnarled nerves
and let me relax in Thee.

from Guide My Feet by Marian Wright Edelman





Leading in Worship Today

Rev. Carol Tompkins, Preaching Joyce DeLoach, Liturgist Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director Robin Dunn, Organist Barry Webb, Audio-Visual Ministry



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Service for the Lord's Day

Gathering Around the Word of God

Welcome and Life of the Church

Minute for Mission Fall Bazaar Donna Gilchrest

Prelude: "Largo", New World Symphony Dvorak

Introit: #59 The Steadfast Love of the Lord Edith McNeill

†Call to Worship:

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Every generous act is a gift from God

All: who gives birth to us through the word.

†Hymn of Praise: #14 For the Beauty of the Earth

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You lavish your love upon us, yet we let our hearts grow cold. You wash us clean in your mercy, yet we defile ourselves in sin. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us a new religion: to love you and one another even as you have loved us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Confession

Liturgist: Amen



Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe and live the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

†Glory Be to The Father (Gloria Patri): #581

†Sharing the Peace of Christ

Chancel Time with Children

Imelda Carrillo

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love. Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

Anthem: Shall We Gather at the River?

arr. John Carter

Gentle Spirit, dwell with me so that I would gentle be.
Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod;
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints at the river, that flows by the throne of God.

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; Grace our spirits will deliver and provide a robe and crown. Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints at the river, that flows by the throne of God.

Deep river, my home is over Jordan, deep river, I want to cross over into campground.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints at the river, that flows by the throne of God.

Prayer for Illumination: #288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

First Lesson: Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (p. 480)

Sermon Lesson: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (p. 712)

Sermon: "Don't Fence Me In!" Rev. Carol Tompkins

Responding to the Word of God

†Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed (p. 35)

†Hymn of Affirmation: #708 We Give Thee but Thine Own

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: Softly and Tenderly arr. Thompson

†Doxology: #606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

†Prayer of Dedication

Taking the Word of God into the World

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (p. 35)

†Hymn of Inspiration: #700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

†Benediction

†Response: #598 Amen, We Praise Your Name (x 2) S. C. Molefe

†Postlude: Toccata Dubois