

Sunday, August 20, 2017

(*Denotes the congregation should stand if able)

PRELUDE: "Toccatina" -Lardelli
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Liturgist

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

***CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT: "How Great is Our God"**

*CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

LEADER: Let us rejoice, for the morning has dawned. A new day has been born, and we are newly alive to enjoy it.

PEOPLE: We know the beauty of God's creation and the wonder of the human family. We remember those whose love has shaped our lives and those who have walked alongside us.

LEADER: We gather in our church to worship God, to share prayers and gifts, to pledge ourselves to God's work in the world.

PEOPLE: May God bless us, so that what we do in this time together may be honest, holy, and filled with hope.

***OPENING HYMN: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" #138**
(Pastor Olson, accompany with flute)

PRAYER OF THE DAY Liturgist
Gracious and Holy God, we come to you because you have first come to us. We know you because you have revealed yourself. Give us in this morning hour of worship a new sense of your Spirit breathing through us. Life our hearts with the wings of song, heal our souls with the balm of prayer, enliven our minds with the words of scripture and interpretation, and newly enable us to dedicate our strength, our substance, and our service to your work in the world. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION Liturgist
Let us confess our sins without fear to the One who yearns to embrace us, forgive us, protect us, and bless us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

It is hard, O God. We try to be faithful, live at peace with all, reflect the glory of creation. But then a cutting word slips out, a thought of hurting someone in anger lingers in our mind, a moment's hesitation or holding back is felt when compassion was needed. And then we descend to darkness and doubt -- angry at ourselves, questioning our faithfulness, languishing in guilt. Save us, O God, from self-deception. We do make mistakes, but we ask for your forgiveness. We do despair, but you hold us until we can see new hope. We do fail to respond compassionately, but you strengthen our timid efforts. Lift us from our preoccupation with our own faults and turn us toward your joy and your hope so we may walk with courage. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him. Hear and believe this Good News – in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri #579**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE: JOYS & CONCERNS -Pastor Fells

LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS AND DEBTORS)

RESPONSE: "Be Calm My Soul"

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Give Us a Song" -Men & Altos of the Choir

CHILDREN'S TIME -Pastor Olson

MINUTE FOR MISSION -Pastor Fells

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Liturgist

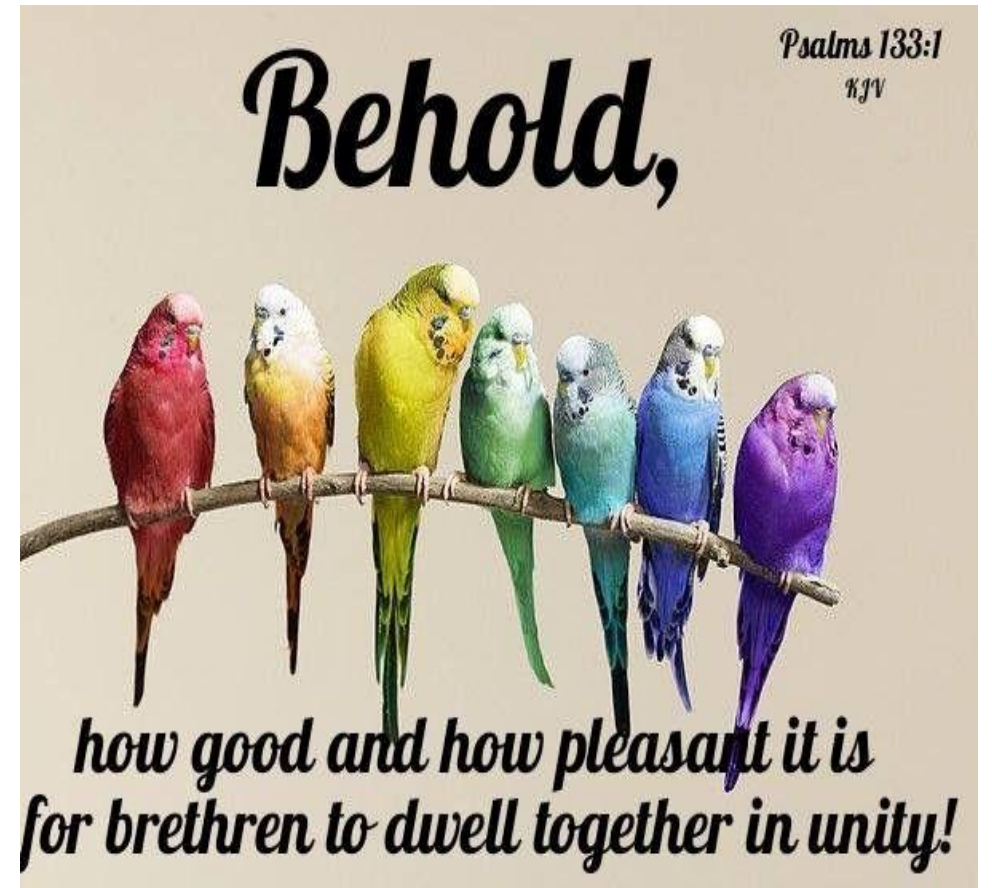
Lord, by the power of your Spirit give us your words of life that our faith may increase and our hearts be made whole. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 133 PG 443
NEW TESTAMENT READING: Matthew 15:21-28 PG 693
SERMON: "As You Wish" -Pastor Olson

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** The Apostle's Creed (Traditional)(front of hymnal) #14
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the
third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in
the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and
the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY: "Allegretto" -Dvorak
***DOXOLOGY** #592
THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION -Pastor Fells
***CLOSING HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord"** #525
***CHARGE** -Pastor Olson
***BENEDICTION** -Pastor Olson
***RESPONSE: "Go Now In Peace"**
***POSTLUDE: "Postlude"** -Nordman

LITURGIST: Al Olson AUDIO/VIDEO: Denise Philipp /Shar Hulstein
ORGANIST: Ann Voggesser
GREETER: Ruth & David Moen USHER: Kathy Jones



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