

**THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—THE CHILDREN’S SABBATH**

OCTOBER 18, 2009

10:00 AM

MINISTERS:

ALL MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

PASTOR:

THE REV. JOHN DAVID HEECKT

MUSIC DIRECTOR:

JEAN EARLY

*Relying on the Holy Spirit to lead and empower us, we worship God, and witness to Jesus Christ with loving service and commitment to justice and peace.*

**GATHERING AND PREPARATION**

The Church Bell Calls Us To Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude & Introit

Call to Worship

One: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

All: I will praise the Lord as long as I live. I will sing praises to God all my life long.

One: Do not put your trust in princes or in mortals in whom there is no help; when their breath departs they return to the earth and their plans perish.

All: We will trust in God who is our Creator and who is the source of our help!

One: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord who made heaven and earth, who keeps faith forever.

All: We will trust in God who is the source of our faith and who calls us to live in hope!

One: It is God who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry and who sets the prisoners free.

All: We will trust in God the giver of justice who calls us to do justice!

One: It is the Lord who watches over the stranger, who upholds the orphan, the widow, and the outcast.

All: We will trust the Lord of compassion who calls us to support the powerless and show loving-kindness to the outcast!

One: The Lord will reign forever; the justice of God shall be for all people and unto all generations.

All: Praise the Lord, the giver of justice, the source of our faith, the sustainer of our hope, the Spirit of loving-kindness. Thanks be to God!

\*Hymn: *This is My Father’s World*

PH 485

\*Unison Prayer:

Almighty God; to whom all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name. Through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\*The Lord’s Prayer (*using “sins”*)

\*The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.  
World without end. Amen. Amen.

**HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**

First Reading:

Hebrews 5:1-10

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 8

Second Reading:

Mark 10:35-45

Anthem

Children’s Sermon

Sermon

\*Hymn: *Jesus Loves the Little Children*

Insert

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

Offering

Offertory

Doxology:

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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.

(\*All who are able, please stand.)

Litany for Receiving the Fall Mission Offering

Insert

Unison Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God: Through the gift of your Son you have given us freedom from sin and the opportunity for a more abundant life in Him. Receive now our gifts, we pray, and put them to your use, both in this congregation and beyond, for the support of your church, and to the honor of your holy Name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

GOING OUT TO SERVE

\*Hymn: *Jesus Loves Me!*

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Benediction

Extroit & Postlude

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