

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 20th, 2013 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Morning Worship
11:00 am

Organ Prelude and Chimes Welcome and Announcements

Billy Wade

The Church Gathers to Praise God

The Call to Worship (Psalm 119, Jeremiah 31, II Timothy 3)

Leader: How I love God's law! God's commandments and teachings are always with me.

People: *How sweet are God's words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!*

Leader: God's new covenant is written on our hearts so that we may all know God, young and old, powerful and powerless alike.

People: *How sweet are God's words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!*

Leader: In the Word, we hear the good news of the gospel: salvation is ours through faith in Jesus Christ.

People: *How sweet are God's words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!*

•**Hymn 482** "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN

Call to Confession (Jeremiah 31:31-34)

Leader: The new covenant God has made with Israel, and with us, begins in forgiveness.

People: *Though we continually break our covenant with God, God remains faithful.*

Leader: We confess our sins to God, trusting that God will forgive us and remember our sins no more.

Prayer of Confession (Psalm 119, II Timothy 3, Luke 18, Jeremiah 31)

Gracious God, we confess that we do not meditate on your commands and teachings all day long. We do not keep your word before us always and in all things. Instead, we turn away from your demanding truth and wander toward easier options. Forgive us we pray, for pursuing our own desires rather than yours. Forgive us for growing weary in following you; for failing to pray and work tirelessly for justice; for losing hope in your power to transform the powers of this world. Turn our ears to the sound of your justice. Turn our hearts to your commandments and words of grace. Do not remember our sin, but remember your mercy forever. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (II Timothy 3)

Leader: Friends, God promises to forgive us, to put our sins out of God's own mind and heart. In this way, God gives us not just a second chance but a new beginning. Believe the good news of the gospel:

People: *our salvation is through faith in Christ Jesus. Let us give thanks to God!*

Leader: With glad hearts, return praise to God. . .

•"Amazing Grace" #280 (verses 1 and 2)

•The Peace

Leader: God sent the world the only Son. Since God loves so much, we too should love one another.

People: *Let us love one another, since love comes from God.*

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.

• Gloria Patri

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Time With the Children "Talking to God"

The Church Listens to God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:27-34
 Psalm 119:97-104
 II Timothy 3:14-4:5
 Luke 18:1-8

Anthem "Soon and Very Soon" Adult Choir

Sermon "Walking Prayer" Rev. Philip W. Sommer

The Church Responds in Faith

•Hymn Insert "I Love to Tell the Story" HANKEY

The Prayers of the People Thanksgivings Intercessions The Lord's Prayer

Minute for Stewardship "Time and Talents"

The Gifts of Lives & Tithes

Offertory

•Doxology (#592)

•Prayer of Dedication

•Hymn 403 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" CONVERSE

•Benediction

•Congregational Response "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" #540
God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude