ORDER OF WORSHIP

21st Sunday after Pentecost October 17th, 2021 11:00 am

~ "I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord."" ~

GATHERING

by Stanley E. Saxton JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist WESTMINSTER CHIMES WE APPROACH GOD Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Leader: People: Before the mountains were brought forth, or before you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals." Leader: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch People: in the night. You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the Leader: morning; in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers. People: Leader: Turn, O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants! Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be People: glad all our days. Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have Leader: seen evil. Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their People: children. (Call to Worship continues)

^{*} please stand – in body or in spirit *

Leader: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our

hands.

People: O prosper the work of our hands!

(please stand)

*OPENING HYMN 611...."Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist

Leader: We turn to God in praise and prayer, not from a position of power and strength, but

from the broken edges of our lives, from the broken edges of the world and the

church.

People: We offer our prayers of confession, trusting in the One who is reconciling all

things.

Leader: Let us pray together ...

God of grace, You seek to grow new things within us. We confess that we don't give you much to work with. The seed of faith is small within us. Hope is hard to muster. Love is often inconvenient. Our brokenness keeps us from responding to you.

Have mercy on us. Stir us, empower us, redeem us, so that we might reach to you and move toward you, and grow in the ways of faith, hope and love. We pray in Jesus' name.

* MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

Leader: God, in Christ Jesus, grants us grace, mercy and peace. Let us hold to the sound

teaching of the faith: that God has the power to save us, and has given us grace

through all ages.

People: We receive the treasure of faith entrusted to us, with the help of the Holy Spirit

living in us.

And all God's people joyfully say, "Amen".

(please be seated)

(worship service continues)

| ANTHEM"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Bethel Choir |
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| OFFERTORY |
| arranged by Tim Doran JoAnn Pendley, Organist ∮ Pianist |
| (please stand) |
| *DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" |
| 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. |
| (please be seated) |
| HEARING GOD'S WORD |
| PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION |
| SCRIPTURE READING |
| Leader: This is the word of the Lord. |
| People: Thanks be to God. |
| SERMON |
| WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD |
| (please stand) |
| *HYMN OF REFLECTION 738"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" |
| * STATEMENT OF FAITH - APOSTLES CREED (unison) |
| Let us confess the faith of our Baptism. |
| 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; (Statement of Faith continues) |

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.

| (please be seated) | | |
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| JOYS & CONCERNS | Wade Cash | |
| PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNI | ison)Derek Almarode | |
| 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. | | |
| <u>SENDING</u> | | |
| (please stand) | | |
| *CLOSING HYMN 37 | "Let All Things Now Living" JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist | |
| * CHARGE \$ BENEDICTION | Derek Almarode | |
| POSTLUDE | Postlude in D Minor" JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist | |
| THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR WORSHIP THIS MORNING! | | |
| HAVE A FABULOUS & BLESSED | WEEK! | |
