

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Piedmonte, Pastor
Music Director – Gregory Fraser

** Congregation please stand as you feel comfortable*

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS: Scarlatti Sonata in D^m

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS –We ask everyone’s cooperation with following the COVID guidelines listed in the bulletin insert. We thank everyone for their cooperation – now and in the days to come as Session continues to discern the best way forward. For now, let us pray every day for the end to this pandemic, and let us remember that we are all a part of God’s family – in this together.

OCTOBER MISSION MOMENT: Socks for shelters “Socktober”

INTROIT: “Why Me?” (Choir)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.

All: We gather with them in heart and mind.

Leader: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

All: As part of that body we join in its unity.

Leader: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.

ALL: We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly to be fed.

Leader: Friends, let us worship together, let us share God’s bounty. Let us pray...

OPENING PRAYER:

All: Jesus, you came to show us the way and to be our foundation of faith. You came, not to choose sides like we do, but to be that peace which brings us together. You came, revealing yourself in the breaking of simple bread. You came, to show us how to reveal your spirit in us by doing the same. Fill your Church throughout the world with your generous grace, your eternal hope, your deep, deep love. This we pray in your sacred name, Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: “This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made” (PH #230)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Scripture reminds us that, when we recognize Jesus as our Lord and Savior, we receive exactly what we need - forgiveness, grace, hope. Let us confess our sins to God, that free from the burden of sin, we might proclaim Christ’s love for all! In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God, first in prayer together, then quietly before God:

All: Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **All: Thank you God! Amen.**

RESPONSE: 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.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE: Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with all of you. **All: And also with you.**

WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE (Please turn to extend signs of peace to any neighbors from a distance)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE: “All Around the World”

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*SONG OF PRAISE: “Give Thanks” (Choir)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Leader: Let us pray; **All: Almighty God, give us ears to hear your story in these words of Scripture; give us eyes to see your story in the faces of those that surround us; and give us faith enough, that by your grace, we might serve you until the end of our days. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING:

Mark 14:12-31 Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON: “Dinner Conversations”

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*HYMN: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (PH #276)

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (adapted from the Belhar Confession)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family. And we believe that that this unity of the people of God must be manifest and active, in that we love one another; that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another, that we share one baptism together, that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together, that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen

SHARING OF PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS (Please be seated)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

OFFERTORY (Special *Peace and Global Witness Offering*)

*DOXOLOGY / PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER (See insert)

*CLOSING HYMN: “Jesus Loves Me!” (PH #304)

*BENEDICTION / RESPONSE: : “Go Now in Peace”

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE: Mozart Sonata in C^m – 1st movement

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