

October 11, 2009 SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 am

19th Sunday After Pentecost

Liturgical Color: Green

Preparation for Worship and Announcements

Dr. Mary Lynn Polk, Lay Leader

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name.

Chiming of the Trinity

Noel Johnson

Prelude

Prelude on FESTAL SONG

Gordon Young

Welcome

Hampton Warner

*Call to Worship

Cecilia McGinnis

Leader: Come, all who look for God with unseeing eyes. Come, all who listen for God but hear nothing.

People: Oh, that we knew where to find God! We want to hear and understand God's Word.

Leader: The word of God is living and active. It pierces and judges and opens us to God's grace.

People: We cannot hide from God who knows us. God understands our thoughts and Intentions.

Leader: Leave everything to follow Jesus in this hour. This is the time to embrace new ways.

People: Here we set the patterns for everyday life. Here we are strengthened for every day's challenges.

*Hymn No. 463

Lord, Speak to Me

Canonbury

Invocation

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

Speak your word to each of us, O God. Before your Word none remain hidden. Reach out to the lost. Restore the fallen. Rebuke the proud. Remember the discouraged. Revive our spirits. Remold our lives to the likeness of Christ. In whose name we pray, Amen.

Anthem

Sing, Rejoice, Clap Your Hands
Angel Choir

Mark Patterson

Old Testament Reading

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 (Page 580 (OT) in pew Bibles)

Marisa Rogers

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 4:12-16 (Page 267 (NT) in pew Bibles)

Mabry Ramey

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Who At My Door Is Standing
Chancel Choir

arr. K. Lee Scott

Litany

Sophie Beth Nickles

Father God, You are so wonderful and we have so much to praise you for – for always being there, for your power, and for your never-ending love for us.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We are sorry for the things we do that are wrong and that hurt You, other people, and ourselves. We ask your forgiveness for being full of pride, envy, and greed.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We have many things we can't do on our own and we need Your help. Please walk beside us and help us with our decisions and our actions each day.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Father God, You have given us so many things. Thank you for all of the things you have given us – the sunshine, the rain, our families, and your love.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We offer these prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

Lord's Prayer (In Unison)

Led by Sam Crooks and Ann Baker

Offering

Offertory

O For a Closer Walk with Thee

Gordon Young

*Doxology No. 94

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Julia Baker

Children's Message

Jessica Morris

All children are invited to the front of the Sanctuary for a special message. Following Children's Time, 3-year-olds through Kindergarteners may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn No. 474

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Precious Lord

*Affirmation of Faith No. 881

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri No. 70

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.

*†Gospel Lesson

Mark 10:17-31

Page 56 (NT) in pew Bibles

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Following Jesus"

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

Commissioning of Teachers (See Insert)

*Hymn No. 398

Jesus Calls Us

Galilee

*Benediction

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

*Benediction Response No. 666

Shalom to You

SHALOM

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

*Postlude

†Sermon Text

*Please stand if you are able

Nursery Provided