11:00 am

7th Sunday After Pentecost

Preparation for Worship and Announcements

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

**Chiming of the Trinity** 

Prelude Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

Paul Manz

Liturgical Color: Green

(Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word) Steven Driskell, guest organist

\*Call to Worship Richard Pinckney, Webservant

Leader: Come away and rest for a while. Leave behind your busyness to be fully present to God. **People:** We have come for relief from life's turmoil. God gathers us as a shepherd gathers

sheep.

Leader: God's steadfast love surrounds us here. We are reminded of God's enduring faithfulness.

People: This is God's house, and we are God's children. God invites us to feel at home in this

place.

Leader: We have a covenant with our Creator. This is a time for renewal of our promises.

People: God calls for righteousness and justice. God offers us goodness and mercy all our

days.

\*Hymn No. 117

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

St Anne

Invocation

The Rev. James D. Dennis, Jr.

Rock of our salvation, we have accepted the invitation of Jesus to gather as your beloved people. We have been away from you in our thoughts and separated from you in much that we do. Now we are together, seeking reconciliation with you and one another. We call on your steadfast love for assurance and healing. We feel your compassion for us and for all your children. We sense your longing for our wholeness and renewed faith and trust. You call us to be your saints and apostles and prophets and we are overwhelmed. Calm our fears. Hear the prayers of your children and let us come home. Amen.

Old Testament Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-14a Page 349 (OT) in pew Bibles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 Page 50 (NT) pew Bibles

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

People: Thanks be to God.

**Duet**Come and Find the Quiet Center
B. F. White

Martha and Larry Moore

Pastoral Prayer The Rev. James D. Dennis, Jr.

Lord's Prayer (In Unison)

Offering

**Offertory** Reflection Frank Asper

\*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!

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Rev. James D. Dennis, Jr.

Children's Message Myra Shaffer 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. 472 Near to the Heart of God McAfee

\*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.

†**Epistle Reading** Ephesians 2:10-22 Page 235 (NT) in pew Bibles

Leader: This is the Word of Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

**Sermon** "Third-Class Christians" The Rev. James D. Dennis, Jr.

\*Hymn No. 178 Hope of the World Vicar

\*Benediction

\*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 If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee J. S. Bach

†Sermon Text

\*Please stand if you are able Nursery Provided