11:00 am

25th 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,

*Passing of the Peace

Chiming of the Trinity Evelyn Irwin

Prelude We Rest in Thee arr. Nancy Tipton

Chancel Bells

*Call to Worship Billy Dukes, Co-Church Historian

Leader: God is ready to answer us, even before we call. God is eager to listen, though we are not

The hills sing together before God's presence. All of nature proclaims God's glory. People: If the seas join in praise, how much more should we. If the hills are alive with song, let us, Leader:

too, awake to sing.

People: Make a joyful noise to God, all people of the earth! Break forth into joyous song!

Be glad! Rejoice in all that God is creating. Welcome the new heaven and earth God has Leader:

planned.

People: We worship God with great joy and delight. We welcome God's healing touch in our

midst.

*Hymn No. 117

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

St. Anne

*Invocation The Reverend Terry C. Martin God of hosts, our strength and our salvation, there are no words large enough to praise you. No response by us can match the love you have shown us. Gather us now in your warm embrace, that our faith may be renewed and our work empowered to the honor and glory of your holy name. Amen.

*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.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 65:17-25 Page 851 (OT) in pew Bibles

> Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem I Lift Up Mine Eyes Allen Pote

Chancel Choir, Rhonda McGinnis, flute, Becky Gardner, oboe, and Joyce Nickles, organ

Epistle Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Page 252 (NT) in pew Bibles

> Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer

The Reverend Terry C. Martin.

Lord's Prayer (In 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

Offertory Moment Meditation
Chancel Bells

*Doxology No. 95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow Old 100th

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children's Message

The Reverend Terry C. Martin

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

*Hymn Eternal Father, Strong to Save see insert

†*Gospel Reading Luke 21:5-19 Page 103 (NT) in pew Bibles

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Bearing Witness" The Reverend Terry C. Martin

*Hymn No. 733 Marching to Zion Marching to Zion

*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

†Sermon Text

*Please stand if you are able

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