

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 A.M. July 17, 2016

ORDER OF WORSHIP

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Let us prepare for worship by praying,
meditating and listening to the organ prelude.

The Ringing of the Church Bell

The Prelude

The Welcome and Concerns of the Church

THE GATHERING

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed is God, who created us and loves us beyond measure.

People: Blessed is God, who calls us to stop measuring out our love.

Leader: Blessed is God, who speaks and tells us stories about
ourselves

**People: Blessed is God, who reveals to us who we are, and who we
could be.**

Leader: Blessed is God, whose compassion is poured out on every
single person.

**People: Blessed is God, who gives us compassion to share with
every single person, even people we do not know or
care about.**

Leader: Blessed is God, whose graciousness allows us to accept
compassion when we are the ones who are hurting.

**People: Blessed is God, who gives us grace to accept help from
friends, and complete strangers.**

*The Hymn No. 111

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

*The Prayer of Confession

Merciful Savior, before you we stand crooked, falling down and crumbling. We are unworthy of your neighborhood, ignoring those who are loved dearly by you. We walk by those in need and ignore your servants when they just don't look like us, are the wrong color or religion, or are from the wrong place. We write off so many who show us the glory of your diverse creation, created in your image. Set our plum lines straight, O God. Forgive us our failings and again teach us your ways of justice and righteousness. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Dear ones you are enough. You were created as an exquisite part of creation, and you are meant to live and support others. In the name of Jesus Christ I declare to you that your sins are forgiven.

People: Now we are set into a new life of love and relationships that comes with that assurance.

ALL: Thanks be to God! Amen.

THE WORD

The Children's Time

The Choral Anthem

The Prayer of Illumination

The New Testament Lesson

Luke 10:25-37

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon

"No Really, I'm FINE!"

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Choral Response

*The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*The Gloria Patri

The Bringing of the Tithes, Offerings and Gifts

The Offertory

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*The Hymn No. 727 (insert) "Will You Let me Be Your Servant"

*The Charge and Benediction

Congregation Response

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

*When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.*