

Morning Worship
June 3, 2018
9th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Gather in God's Name

Greeting Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude *Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart* Cherwien

Choral Introit *God Is Here Today*

*Call to Worship Marion Anderson

O servants of God, sing praise to the Lord,

Who raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the pit!

O servants of God, sing praise to the Lord,

Who causes the lowly to sit with the proud and makes the haughty be humbled. Blessed be the name of the Lord forever!

Let us worship God.

*Prayer of the Day

Visit us, O Christ! Strengthen us in our inmost being, that, grounded in your Spirit, we might comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth of your love. Dwell in our hearts, that, filled with the fullness of God, we might understand the faith that surpasses knowledge. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*Hymn 396 *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

Call to Confession

All of us have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Yet we believe and proclaim that God yearns to be reconciled with us and to shower mercy on us.

Let us confess our sins together, so that we may know the forgiveness of God.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of grace and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name. Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

The majesty and power of the Creator are matched only by Divine mercy and love. Because of this love, made clear in Jesus Christ, we can rejoice that we are forgiven of all rebellion and strong-headedness. God is ever-present with us to guide us home. Friends, trust the good news of your salvation,
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Holy Interruption *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

We Receive God's Word

Children's Sermon

Preschool-Kindergarten age children are dismissed to the Pray n' Play program held in the room beside the church nursery in the main Church building. Children who are in the 1st grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation.

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 1

New Testament Lesson Romans 8:22-26

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold

“Hope for the Unseen”

We Respond to God's Word

Commissioning of Mission Massanetta Team

* Declaration of Faith (Apostles' Creed)

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

**Gloria Patri* (hymn 581)

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.

Offering Invitation

Offertory *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

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* Praise of God *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee

*Prayer of Dedication

God Seals His Word Through the Lord's Supper

*Hymn 500 *Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread*

Invitation to the Table

Epiclesis (Sung by all, three times)

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al-le-lu-ia!

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you!

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Let us pray...

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.

Words of Institution and Sharing of Bread and Wine

Prayer after Communion

We Depart in God's Name

* Hymn 435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

* Benediction and Sending

* Choral Response *Amen*

* Postlude *Oh, Worship the King*

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Usher/Greeter Team for June

David Nagel and Ashley Driggers

