

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome! We are glad that you are here. We hope that you are blessed by your encounter with God today.

The * indicates points in the service where you are invited to stand, if that is comfortable for you.

However, if it is better for you to remain seated, feel free to do so.

All are invited to join in speaking or singing when **Bolded** words appear.

July 29, 2018

The service begins with the music of preparation.

9:30 am

Gathering the Community of Faith

Hymn Sing

Call to Worship (*from 1 John 4:19*)

Kim Manzella

Out of the fullness of the lives God has given us we have come to worship and to praise.

With thanks we offer to God the creativity of our minds, the warmth of our hearts, and the joy of our spirits.

We love because God first loved us, freeing us from the power of sin and death.

With glad hearts let us join together in singing praise to God!

*Hymn 41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

Call to Confession

Joanna Lentine

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Creator God, we confess that we do not give our lives over to the transforming power of your Spirit to call out the gifts of each one of us and to build up the life of the whole church. Today as we wonder at your creation in the world around us, may we also open ourselves to the new creation you seek to bring about within and among us, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent Reflection and Prayer

Response

Lord Have Mercy

Choir

Assurance of Grace

Through Christ, life has been given to us as a new gift for today. We are a new and different people from this moment on! Arise then and walk in the Light of Christ as forgiven people.

Alleluia! Amen!

*Gloria Patri

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.

* Greeting and Sharing Christ's Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Proclaiming God's Word

Children's Message

Garry Wilbor and Frankie Lentine

*Children's Offering will be collected as they come forward for the Message.
All children and youth are invited to remain in worship following the Message.
Childcare for infants through two year-olds available in the nursery, room 11.*

Anthem

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
(text can be found at hymn 65)

Mary Ellen Kerrick

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 12:4-27 (pg. 933)

Message

"Picking the Perfect Pastor"

Elder Garry Wilbor

Responding to God's Word

*Hymn 716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Please list prayers on pink slips located in pew racks - pass them to ushers during the hymn.

Invitation to Offering

Elizabeth Lentine

Offertory

Aria

Flor Peeters

*Response

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

**We dedicate our lives and all that we have to the work of life, of love, of peace. Receive our gifts
and lead us in wisdom and courage. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Sending the Faithful Into God's World

*Hymn 733 We All Are One in Mission

*Charge and Benediction

Response

Depart in Peace

Sandra T. Ford

Depart in peace and may God's grace sustain and bless you day by day. Depart in joy and may his
truth support and guide you in his way. Depart to serve and may his presence ever strengthen from
above, depart in faith and may you know the comfort of his constant love. Depart in peace.

Postlude

O Worship the King
Kathleen Finnerty, piano

Gilbert M. Martin

Upcoming Worship Schedule

All services at 9:30 am with Hymn Sing at 9:20 am

August 5 (no communion)

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Eric Hearst, Coordinator of Christian Education, preaching
with youth participating

August 12 (communion)

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Volunteers in Mission participating
Rev. Nancy Asbury presiding over communion

August 19

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Nancy Asbury preaching