



Shine God's Light

As disciples of Christ, we share and rejoice
in the warmth of God's love and light by
teaching the holy word,
servng Christ's community, and
growing together in faith.



September 24, 2023
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Service for the Lord's Day
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9:30 am

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in E Minor
Choral Prelude on a Gibbons Melody

Nicolaus Bruhns
Healey Willan

Call to Worship

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; for God's steadfast love endures forever.

All: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

One: those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands,

All: from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

One: Let those who are wise give heed to these things

All: and consider the steadfast love of the Lord. Let us worship God!

*Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

No. 307

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when we grumble and complain against your goodness as the Israelites did in the desert, as the elder brother did to his father, as the workers in the field did to the landowner. We judge and weigh your gifts according to our standards. We often question your fairness instead of receiving your grace with thanksgiving and joy. Help us to see your world through your eyes and with your spirit of generosity and grace, that we may welcome the chance to serve in your kingdom and all who join with us. Forgive us, Lord, in your grace and mercy through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: The Lord is good to all and his compassion is over all that he has made. For by grace, you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing.

All: It is the gift of God – not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Passing the Peace

Offering

We invite you to consider giving out of gratitude to God after worship today either by placing your offering in the wooden box hanging on the wall at each exit, scanning the QR code in your pew and/or giving online through the church website at www.flemingtonpres.org, or mailing a check to the church office at 10 East Main Street, Flemington, NJ 08822. We give thanks for your generosity, allowing our mission and ministry together to continue.

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Gracious God, we know that every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from you. We thank you for your many blessings, especially your perfect gift of your Son Jesus Christ, your indescribable gift! Help us to receive your gifts and grace with thanksgiving and humility and to use them faithfully in and for your kingdom. Amen.

*Doxology

No. 607

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

Spirit of the Living God

No. 288

*Charge and Benediction

Response

Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

Mark L. Williams

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing, fill our hearts with joy and love. May we feel your peace within us, as you guide us from above. Lord, Creator, our Sustainer, bless us with your peace and love.

Postlude

God of Grace

Paul Manz

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