

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8th, 2020

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Ayre

John Ward

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you

One: Come, let us worship the Lord, who established a new covenant through his Son, Jesus Christ.

All: We come in spirit and in truth to worship the Living God!

HYMN OF PRAISE

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

We invite you to meditate on the lyrics as the hymn is played.

Please refrain from singing out loud.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

from Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin, for I know my transgressions and my sin is ever before me. I have sinned against you, and you alone;

I have done what is evil in your sight. Create in me a clean heart, O

God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit. I pray this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

from Psalm 107

One: The Lord's faithful love is from forever ago to forever from now for those who honor him.

All: God's righteousness reaches to the grandchildren of those who keep his covenant and remember to keep his commands.

One: Hear the Good News: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Everywhere, throughout his kingdom, may all that we have and all that we are bless the Lord!

RESPONSE

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

We invite you to meditate on the lyrics as the hymn is played.

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✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Please refrain from bodily contact and maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from other households as we pass the peace this morning.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

GOSPEL READING Matthew 25:1-13

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM ***Almighty Father*** *Benjamin Harlan*

Almighty Father, You alone are holy. You are my refuge, I will trust in you.
You are a tower, a mighty Fortress. You are my strength and shield, You are God.

Almighty Father, you alone are holy. You guide my footsteps that I may not fall.

In joy or sorrow, I will exalt You. You are my righteousness, You are God.

Almighty Father, You alone are holy. You are creator, You are all in all!

Yours is the power, Yours is the glory. Yours is the majesty, You are God.

HEBREW BIBLE READING Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Sarah Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

TIME FOR REFLECTION *Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness* *J. S. Bach*

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *adapted from* The Westminster Larger Catechism

We recognize God as the one true God; and we worship and glorify him as such by valuing, meditating on, remembering, highly regarding, honoring, adoring, preferring, loving, desiring, fearing, believing, trusting, hoping, delighting, and rejoicing in him. We call on him and, with enthusiasm, give him all praise and thanks, giving of ourselves completely. Finally, we strive to walk humbly with him, being careful to please him in everything we say and do and being genuinely sorry when we offend him.

HYMN OF DEDICATION ***The God of Abraham Praise*** LEONI

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✦ BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

✦ POSTLUDE ***The God of Abraham Praise*** *arr. Michael Burkhardt*