TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 6, 2023
11:00 AM

WELCOME Tim Boggess

INTROIT *A Jubilant Song* Mary Lynn Lightfoot
(The Chancel Choir) Text from the Psalms

Refrain
Cantate Domino canticum novum,
Sing to the Lord a new jubilant song.
Cantate Domino canticum novum omnis terra.
Sing to the Lord all the earth.

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 143)

Let us hear of your steadfast love in the morning, O God,
for we put our trust in you.
Teach us the way we should go,
for to you we lift up our souls.
Let your good spirit lead us on a level path.

*** HYMN OF PRAISE 35** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly for aye we adore him.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Jeff Bartell

Almighty God,
forgive us for the times we have wandered away from you in both body and spirit.
When we have complained in the face of your mercy.
When have been selfish in the face of your sacrifice.
When we have not done your will.
Teach us humility.
Teach us gratitude.
Teach us compassion.
Set us back on the path of healing and hope.

(a moment for silent reflection)

* *Those who are able are invited to stand.*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*** SONG OF JOY 805** (vv. 1 & 4) *Come Sing To God* ELLACOMBE

Come sing to God, O living saints;
sing praises to God's name.
God's anger is not permanent;
God's love will never wane.
Though tears may tarry for the night
with sighs of deepest pain,
yet joy comes with the morning sun,
a peace that is not vain.

You change my grief to joy-filled dance;
my sorrows you destroy.
In faithfulness you hear my cry
and fill my life with joy.
And so to you my heart shall sing;
my voice your goodness raise.
You are my God, forevermore.
My life shall sing your praise.

*** THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Backpack Blessing

CHURCH LIFE UPDATE

SONG OF PREPARATION *Raise a Song* Text from Psalm 81
(The Chancel Choir) Music by Nancy Cobb Hill

Raise a song! Strike the timbrel!
Blow the trumpet in the new moon.
Raise a song! Strike the timbrel!
Sing joyfully unto God, unto God our strength.
Play the harp with the lyre,
Play the sweet sounding lyre.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Numbers 13-14, selected verses

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Undaunted Courage* Tim Boggess
(Road Trips: Stories of Faith on the Move)

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT 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.

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

PARTAKING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Steven Phillips

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* **HYMN OF SERVICE 761** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* BEECHER

Called as partners in Christ's service,
called to ministries of grace,
we respond with deep commitment
fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing,
side by side and friend with friend,
equal partners in our caring
to fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring,
Christ's clear call to work and worth,
let us follow, never faltering,
reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer,
all God's people, young and old,
blending human skills together
gracious gifts from God unfold. (continued next page)

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission,
in a small or global sense,
help us bear each other's burdens,
breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision,
words of challenge, said with care,
bring new power and strength for action,
make us colleagues, free and fair.

So God grant us for tomorrow
ways to order human life
that surround each person's sorrow
with a calm that conquers strife.
Make us partners in our living,
our compassion to increase,
messengers of faith, thus giving
hope and confidence and peace.

*** CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Tim Boggess

POSTLUDE Improvisation on *Promised Land* Steven Phillips