EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 12, 2025
11:00 AM



As a courtesy to others, please silence your phone.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

RINGING OF THE BELLS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH — Rev. Dr. Timothy T. Boggess

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT — Steve Largo, elder

PRELUDE — *For the Beauty of the Earth* — arr. Diane Bish

from Psalm 111

CALL TO WORSHIP — Annette Landes

Praise the Lord!
We give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts.
Great are the works of the Lord,
treasured by all who delight in him.
Full of honor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.
Holy and awesome is his name.

***HYMN 36** — *For the Fruit of All Creation* — AR HYDY NOS

For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For the gifts to every nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor,
God's will be done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will be done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will be done.

For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God,
we confess that though we often call out to you in our need,
we neglect to bow down in thanksgiving when you restore us.
Forgive us for when we take your grace for granted.
Heal us of ingratitude, cleanse us of pride,
and make us whole by your Spirit,
that we may rise to follow Jesus in trust and thanksgiving.
We pray this through Christ, who makes us well.

(a moment for silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

***SONG OF JOY 647** *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grateful heart;
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say,
"We are strong";
let the poor say,
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" (repeat)

Give thanks.
Give thanks.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Jacob's Ladder* Spiritual/arr. Gilbert Martin
(The Chancel Choir)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

page 955 **SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 17:11-19

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Closing the Loop* Rev. Boggess

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Annette Landes

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. Steven Phillips

***DOXOLOGY 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

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**

from *The Study Catechism* (1988)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Annette Landes

Resurrection hope is a hope for the transformation of this world,
not a hope for escape from it.
It is the hope that evil in all its forms will be utterly eradicated,
that past history will be redeemed,
and that all the things that ever were will be made new.
It is the hope of a new creation, a new heaven and a new earth,
in which God is really honored as God,
human beings are truly loving,
and peace and justice reign on earth.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 803** *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* RESIGNATION

My shepherd will supply my need;
Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh he makes me feed,
beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back
when I forsake his ways,
and leads me, for his mercy's sake,
in paths of truth and grace. *(continued next page)*

When I walk through the shades of death
your presence is my stay;
one word of your supporting breath
drives all my fears away.
Your hand, in sight of all my foes,
does still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows;
your oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God
attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode,
and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest,
while others go and come;
no more a stranger, or a guest,
but like a child at home.

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Boggess

The postlude concludes our worship today. It's the custom of this congregation to sit and enter into this moment with gratitude and celebration.

POSTLUDE *Postlude in Classic Style* Gordon Young

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