Prayer of Dedication

We Depart to Serve the Lord

*Hymn
“How Lovely, Lord” Hymn No. 420

*Benediction

Organ Postlude

“Fanfare” John Cook

*The Postlude signifies the conclusion of worship. We invite you to remain seated.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Karen Blanchard, Associate Pastor
   Larry Erwin, Liturgist

Music Ministry: Anthony Heinemann, soloist; Travis Evans, Music Associate

Live Stream Host: Frank Darr

Ushers: Jim Cooper, Pam Cooper, David Kistler, Marilyn Kistler, Jason Mitchell, Kristy Mitchell, Marty Sumner, Missy Wulff
   Bob Schneider, Usher Captain

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First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood

11:00 A.M.
Sunday, August 18, 2019
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Prelude signifies the beginning of worship.
Let us join together in a time of prayerful preparation as the music begins.

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

We Gather to Worship God

Organ Prelude

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"  Dan Miller

We Address Ourselves to God

*Call to Worship from "Flames of the Spirit"
Leader: We gather as fellow travelers on the journey of faith.
People: We come seeking the awareness of God's presence and wisdom in our lives.
Leader: We come seeking light in our times of darkness.
People: We come seeking strength in our moments of weakness, and guidance for those times when we wander off the path.
Leader: Let us open our hearts to wisdom, Word and song as we worship God, the God of all creation.

*Hymn  "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"  Hymn No. 39

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (The people joining)
Gracious God, you promise us never ending love and mercy, yet we know there are times when we are not faithful. We forget your ways. We deny your call to love others. We are unwilling to show mercy. We think those who are different are the Other. In those moments when we wander, help us listen to you calling us back. Help us to open our hearts to the movement of your Spirit. It is in the name of your Son that we pray. Amen.

*Silent Confessions

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response to Confession  "We Are Forgiven"  Hymn No. 447

*The Passing of the Peace
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

Please Sign and Pass the Friendship Registers
See the insert regarding information on the life and work of our congregation.

Time with Children

We Hear God's Word

First Reading  Hosea 1:1-11  Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 842
Leader:  The Word of the Lord.
People:  Thanks be to God.

Solo  "God Hath Led His People On"
Felix Mendelssohn

Leader:
"God hath led His people on; His laws are in their minds, written in their hearts. All shall know that He is God, a God of truth without iniquity, both just and righteous. And as an eagle stirreth up her nest, she bringeth forth her children. So God alone led His children onward; there was no strange God with them. God hath led His people on; His laws are in their minds, written in their hearts. All shall know that He is God, a God of truth without iniquity, both just and righteous. Awake: ye greatness unto our God.""  Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 630

People:  "High Expectations"
The Rev. Dr. Karen Blanchard

We Respond to God's Word

Second Reading  Isaiah 1 (select verses)  Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 630
Leader:  The Word of the Lord.
People:  Thanks be to God.

Sermon  "We Are Forgiven"
The Rev. Dr. Karen Blanchard

Pastoral Prayer

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.

Offering of the People

*Offertory Solo  "My Soul Thristeth for God"  Felix Mendelssohn

Leader:
"For my soul thirsteth for God; yea, for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? When shall I come to appear before God's presence? For my soul thirsteth for God."  Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 630

People:
"Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."