

We Depart to Serve the Lord

*Hymn *“O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing”* Hymn No. 610

*Benediction

Organ Postlude *Fantasy on “Azmon”* Carl Glaser

*The Postlude signifies the conclusion of worship.
We invite you to remain seated in silence until the music concludes.*

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. David Holyan, Pastor
Rev. Dr. Karen Blanchard, Associate Pastor

Music Ministry: Debra Hillabrand, soloist
Bill Stein, Director of Music Ministries

Ushers: Dodie Frank, Jerroy Frank, Georgia Hepp, Joe Marting,
Lindsay Marting, Gail Meyer, Cy Woodrome, Julie Woodrome
Larry Erwin, Usher Captain

Thank you for worshipping with us.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

11:00 A.M.

*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 *“Sarabande”* Seth Bingham

We Address Ourselves to God

*Call to Worship inspired by Psalm 5

Leader: We, through the abundance of your steadfast love,
will enter your house.

People: We will bow down toward your holy temple
in awe of you.

Leader: Lead us, O Lord, in your righteousness
because of our enemies;
make your way straight before me.

People: Let all who take refuge in you rejoice;
let us ever sing for joy.

Leader: The abundant love of God fills us within.
Let us worship the Lord!

*Hymn *“For the Beauty of the Earth”* Hymn No. 14

*Call to Confession

***Prayer of Confession** *(The people joining)*

God of creative speech, you speak and worlds are created. You call and your prophets respond. You breathe and life blossoms before our eyes. You speak but we do not always listen. Sometimes we are distracted. Sometimes we ignore you. Forgive us our sin. Continue to speak peace and justice in our hearts. Continue to call us to offer love and grace to all. Help us to not just hear your word, but to embody it in all we do and all we say. In Jesus' name 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 the Children

We Hear God's Word

First Reading **Mark 7:1-8,14-15, 21-23** **Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 42**

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Solo ***“Offertory”*** **John Ness Beck**

*With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, shall I come before Him with yearling calves?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil?
Shall I give Him my first-born for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
He has shown you, O people; He has shown you what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?*

Second Reading **James 1:17-27** **Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 229**

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon ***“Called To Be Doers of the Word”*** **Rev. Dr. David Holyan**

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn** ***“Just As I Am, Without One Plea” **Hymn No. 442**

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.**

Offertory Sentences

Offering of the People

Offertory Solo ***“His Eye Is On the Sparrow”*** **Charles Gabriel**

*Why should I feel discouraged, and why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home?
When Jesus is my portion, my constant friend is He. His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.
And I sing because I'm happy, yes, I sing because I'm free.
For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.
“Let not your heart be troubled,” His tender word I hear. And resting on his goodness
I love my doubts and fears. I draw Him closer to me. From care He sets me free.
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.*

***Doxology** **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.**

***Prayer of Dedication**