

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**HYMN #464**

***“Our Father, Which Art in Heaven”***  
*(Choir leads, the people respond)*

Pattison, 1945

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*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 - UNISON**

*We give you thanks and praise, O God, for you have chosen the poverty of the world to make your people rich in faith. Help us to put our faith into practice through the offering of our lives— giving food to the hungry, clothes to the naked, and shelter to the poor; all for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, your Word made flesh. Amen.*

*Sending*

**HYMN #840**

***“When Peace like a River”*** (v.1&4)  
*(It Is Well with My Soul)*

Spafford, 1876

**ANTHEM**

***“Make My Life an Alleluia”***  
*(Chancel Choir)*

**ANTHEM**

***“Draw the Circle Wide”***  
*(Chancel Choir)*

**HYMN #833**

***“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”*** (v.1-3)

Matheson, 1881

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE**

*... Alleluia! ... Amen.*

**\*RESPONSE #747**

***“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”***

Cartford, 1998

**POSTLUDE**

Selected

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*“Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences”*

(\*) Please rise in body or in spirit.  
*Bold italic letters* indicate congregational responses.

# Service for the Lord's Day

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2019

Speak to each other with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs; sing and make music to the Lord in your hearts.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

*God of Harmony, As we sing our worship of you today, may our hearts be lifted and our lives be shaped to your will. Amen.*

## Gathering

PRELUDE

Selected

WELCOME

Rev. Michele R. Goff

INTROIT

*“Imagine the People of God”  
(Chancel Choir)*

\*HYMN #375

*“Shall We Gather at the River” (v.1&2)*

Lowry, 1864

\*CALL TO WORSHIP - Responsive

Liturgist - Tim Wasson

We gather as the family of God,  
*bound together in the body of Christ.*

We gather as the children of God,  
*called together in the presence of the Spirit.*

We gather this day to worship God  
*and join our lives in the life of the church.*

\*HYMN #408

*“There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit”*

Akers, 1962

PRAYER OF THE DAY

HYMN #824

*“There Is a Place of Quiet Rest”*

McAfee, 1901

DUET

Performed by Joshua Allen & Stefan Kane

CONFESSION

SILENT REFLECTION

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*O God, you are the potter, shaping the world and molding our spirits. Your creation is an act of grace and your every word a fountain of life. Mold and shape us once again, O God,*

*as we confess our sins before you. Drip the water of your Spirit onto our dry and cracking edges, and push us with your gentle fingers to reflect your handiwork. Create love where there is hatred, deep faith where there is shallow religion, generosity where there is selfish greed, and wholeness where there are shattered pieces. For we know that your work is not complete in us, and that our lives are made complete in you.*

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

*“Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us.”*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

Please turn to one another and share signs of God’s peace..

\*GLORIA PATRI

#580

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

HYMN #465

*“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” (v.1&2)*

Scriven, 1855

HYMN #661

*“Why Should I Feel Discouraged?”  
(His Eye Is on the Sparrow)*

Martin, 1905

HYMN #839

*“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!” (v.1&3)*

Crosby, 1873

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 18: 1-11

Bibles,p.677/LG.p.881

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Psalms 96: 1-5

Bibles, p.520/ LG. p.677

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

*Thanks be to God.*

\*HYMN #43

*“You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord”  
“On Eagle’s Wings” (Psalm 91)*

Joncas, 1978

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - UNISON

*The Affirmation of Faith is the Apostles’ Creed*

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

\*HYMN #769

*“For Everyone Born” (v.1-3)*

Murray, 1998