

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Remembering the world that God so loves, we pray to the Maker of heaven and earth, saying:  
Let your will be done, *on earth as in heaven...*

Sovereign God, keep us watching and working for the promise of your heavenly realm,  
until all the earth rejoices at your coming in glory; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of life. *Amen.*

**LORD'S PRAYER**

*Our Father, who art in heaven...*

**MUSICAL PRAYER RESPONSE #693** The Gift of Love (vv. 2, 3)

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

Freely you have received, freely give.

Let us return to God the offerings of our life  
and the gifts of the earth.

**\*Doxology #607**

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**

*To you, O God, we offer our lives— our abundance, our poverty,  
all that we have, all that we are— a sign of our great thanksgiving  
for the treasure of your grace. Take and use us for good in the world  
that you so love; we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

— *Sending* —

Spirit, Open My Heart

**\*HYMN #692**

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE**

May we leave this house of worship today, quick to listen, slow to speak,  
open to hearing and responding to God's truth.

May God bless you and keep you, be kind and gracious to you,  
may God look upon you with favor and bring you peace. *Amen.*

**POSTLUDE**

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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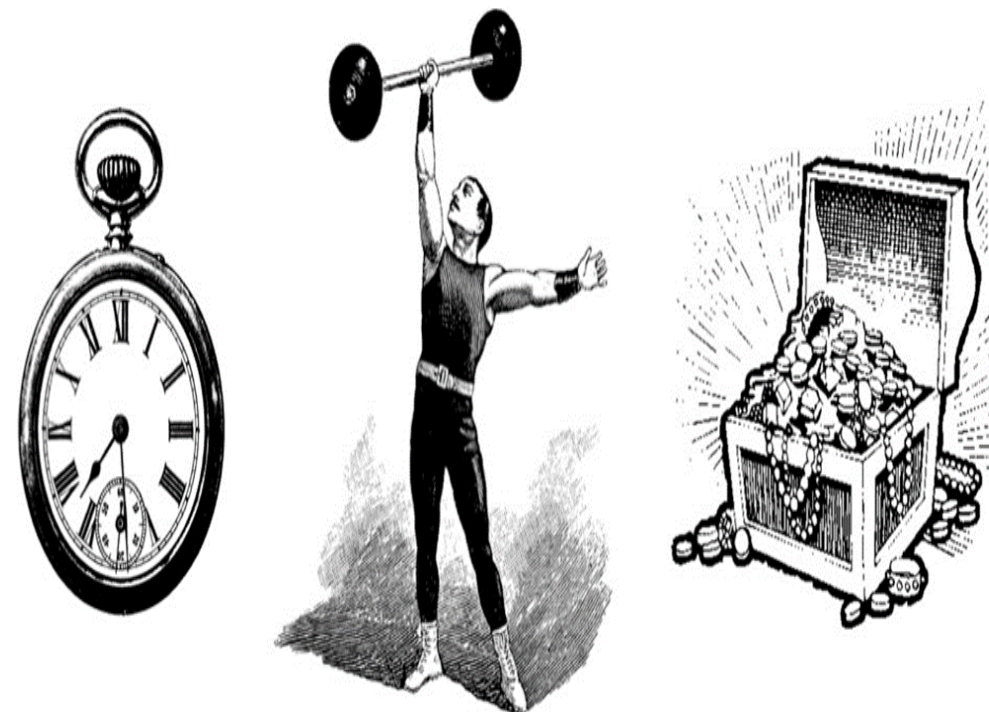
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*Serving God,*

*Honoring Creation,*

*Embracing Differences*



*20th Sunday after Pentecost*

*Sunday, October 10, 2021*

*Service for the Lord's Day*

(\*) Please rise in body or in spirit.

*Bold italic letters* indicate congregational responses.

— *Gathering* —

**PRELUDE** One of Us  
**WELCOME**  
**INTROIT #692** Spirit, Open My Heart

Joshua Allen  
Liturgist: John Hillin

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

O Lord, satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,  
*so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.*  
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,  
*and prosper for us the work of our hands.*

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**\*HYMN #835** Just a Closer Walk with Thee

**CONFESSION**

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin together:

*O Lord, you are the maker of justice  
and the source of righteousness,  
the one who hears the cries of the suffering  
and who fills the hunger of the poor.  
Forgive us, O God, when we fail to reflect your just love:  
when we have food and food leftover,  
yet we do not share with any in need;  
when we have power for good and power for change,  
yet we use it only for our own self-preservation;  
when we have the words of the prophets before us,  
yet we cover our ears lest they make us uncomfortable.  
Forgive us, O Lord,  
and teach us to follow in your way.*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

... through the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! *Thanks be to God.*

— *Word* —

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**HEBREWS SCRIPTURE**

Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15

Bible p. 804-805

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. Listen to the word of the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM READING**

Psalm 90:12-17

Bible p. 518

Listen to the word of the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

**GOSPEL**

Mark 10:17-31

Bible p. 43

Hear the word of God for us.

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.  
*Thanks be to God.*

**SERMON**

**The Man Who Had Everything**

**ASCRPTION OF PRAISE**

To the Lord our God, Alpha and Omega,  
be all glory and honor forever. **Amen.**

— *Response* —

**\*HYMN #773**

**Heaven Shall Not Wait**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – 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.*