# **SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP** 18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 26, 2021 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Time for quiet prayer and meditation . . . "Be still and know that I am God."

# We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" arr. Carter

\* Call to Worship

Leader: Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Sing to the Lord, bless his name;

tell of his salvation from day to day. Leader: Declare his glory among the nations,

his marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be

praised; he is to be feared above all gods. (Psalm 96:1-4)

- \* Hymn "When Morning Gilds the Skies" No. 667
- \* Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of love, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done, we have sinned in ignorance; we have sinned in weakness; we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us and renew our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- \* Assurance of Pardon
- \* Gloria Patri

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.

# God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Lesson Psalm 97

- L: The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!
- P: Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
- L: Fire goes before him

- and burns up his adversaries all around.

  P: His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.
- L: The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.
- P: The heavens proclaim his righteousness,
- and all the peoples see his glory.

  L: All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols;
- worship him, all you gods!
  P: Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.

L: For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

P: O you who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the lives of his saints; he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

L: Light is sown for the righteous,

and joy for the upright in heart.
P: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

Solo "What Does the Lord Require" arr. Beck \* Postlude

Scripture Lesson 1 Kings 18:17-40

Dr. Seel Sermon God's Prophets: Elijah and Elisha III. The Lord, He Is God!

\* Hymn "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove" No. 279

# We Respond to God's Word

\* 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.

Prayers of the People and 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

arr. Dean Offertory "Jesus Is All the World to Me"

\* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication No. 606

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

- \* Hvmn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" No. 263
- \* Charge and Benediction
- \* Benediction Response "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion. Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love. May your peace fill our hearts. May we know the love of Jesus. By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole.

"Classical Postlude"

arr. Haydn

\* Congregation Stands

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please write your request, tear off this form, fold, and place in the offering plate.	
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Name and date: (optional)	
(These are kept confidential!	)
The Tuesday Morning Praye Group meets each week at 10:00 a.m. to pray for the EPC family and any other special needs.	r

# **WELCOME TO VISITORS**

If you are visiting today, we would like you to know that it is a privilege to have you with us. It is our hope that you will find a warm welcome and an atmosphere to worship God.

### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of the 55th wedding anniversary of Barbara and Charlie Roberts.

### FELLOWSHIP (a) ARRAN FARM **Meal Reservation**

OCTOBER 3, 4:30 pm

BBQ, Baked Beans, Macaroni & Cheese

Prepared by: Henry's Smokehouse

Family Name

# of meals

\$9 per plate

Reservation deadline is Friday, October 1. Please include payment with reservation. Make checks payable to EPC.

## Wonderful Wednesday **Meal Reservation**

# September 29

Tacos, Burritos, Ouesadillas (with meat choice), Black Beans, Rice, Chips, Guacamole, & Dessert

Prepared by: Peppers Catering

Family Name

# of meals \_

\$5 per plate

Reservation deadline is by 12:00 noon on Mondays!!! You may call the church office at 859-4220 or sign up online.

### **NURSERY STAFF**

Victoria Rose Brock Liliana Guerra

### **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS TODAY**

9:00 a.m. April DuBose

11:00 a.m. Nursery Staff

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY

9:00 a.m. Ginna Lister

11:00 a.m. Krissy Davidson Matt Davidson

### **SAFE PLACE MONITOR**

David Owen

### **TODAY'S GREETERS**

9:<u>00 a,m,</u> David Weaver Elizabeth Weaver

10:00 a.m. Tammy Darity 11:00 a.m. **Jean Smith Iack Drawdy** 

### SEPTEMBER USHERS

9:00 a.m. 1<u>1:00 a.m.</u> Chad Lister, Head

Jennifer Graham, Asst.

Britt Burnett, Head Dustin Coats, Asst.

**SOUND & LIGHT** 

Carolyn Brice

**VIDEO** Dennis Latham Gracelyn Latham

### **MEMBER NEWS**

Congratulations to Shari and Duane Hurne who recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Congratulations to Barbara and Charlie Roberts who recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary.

The known hospitalizations this week were Samiel Martin, Yvonne Smith and Caroline Johnson.

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