

GATHERING FOR THE WORD

Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

* Please stand if able Plain text = Leader

Bold text = People

PRELUDE *Hail the Lord of All Creation* Franklin Ritter

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS The Rev. Dr. Laura S. Sugg

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand) Elder

O God, who gives us the morning sun and evening star,

We have gathered to thank you.

O God, in whom we move and breathe and have our being,

We have gathered to praise you.

O God, who brings us out of death into life,

We have gathered to celebrate you.

Sisters and brothers, praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised!

* HYMN *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* No. 260

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL (Be seated) Elder

Eternal God:

you raised up brave and able people to reform the church.

We confess that we have lost our way again

and need new reformation.

We are content with easy religion,

with too much money and too little charity;

we cultivate indifference.

Lord, let your word shake us up and your Spirit renew us,

so that we may repent, have better faith,

and never shrink from sacrifice;

in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(A time for silent prayer.)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Laura Sugg

Amen. By the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,

we are led into life in all its fullness.

God of grace, give us

a new mind to understand your loving purposes,

a new heart to rejoice in them,

and a new perseverance to follow the way of Jesus

to whom be glory forevermore. Amen.

* SUNG CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Glory to God* (see insert)

HEARING THE WORD

EPISTLE READING Hebrews 7:23-28 pg. 214

The word of the Lord.

Deacon

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *O Lord Most Holy* Arr. Rob Roy Peery

TIME FOR CHILDREN *(As the children come forward, please join in singing.)*

This, this is where children belong, part of our family, part of our song.

Be with us, pray with us, help us grow strong, this is where children belong.

SERMON *One High Priest, Many Ministers* Laura Sugg

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Please Stand) The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)
Front of Hymnal Pg. 14

*HYMN *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* No. 457

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP: WISDOM Barbara Stimson

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER Front of Hymnal Pg. 16
(Pray, "Forgive us our sins...")

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY *On the Wings of the Morning* Anthony Giamonco

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING No. 591/2

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Unison) Laura Sugg

**Holy God: you have chosen us to serve you
and appointed us the agents of your love.
We thank you for prophets who recall us to your will.
We are grateful for every impulse to confess
and correct our wrongs, to keep faith
pure and purposes faithful.
We praise you for your Holy Spirit always reforming
the church, so we may better serve as disciples
of your Son, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

* HYMN *We All Are One in Mission* No. 435

* CHARGE & BLESSING

* SUNG CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Tune: This is My Father's World

***God, bless your church with life! May all our branches thrive,
Unblemished, wholesome, bearing fruit, Abundantly alive.
From you, one holy vine, in freedom we grow;
Sustain us in our mission, Lord, Your love and peace to show.***

POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress* Arr. Wilbur Held

Please come through to Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation.

Pulpit Elder: Chuck Miller Deacon Reader: Janette Powers
Greeters: Dick Remington Ushers: Karen Ledgerwood & Brenda Cavanaugh
Sound Engineer: Jim Niquette Children's Time: Laura Sugg
Flowers: Mike and Janette Powers



*WPC Mission Statement
To worship God through faith and action,
to nurture the spirit of Jesus Christ in each of us,
to be an extended family to all,
and to serve the community
through programs, education and prayer.*

***Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2015***