

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 27th, 2020

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

THE GREETING

Julie Schaaf

THE PRELUDE

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

Nancy Hughes

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

+ THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Abby Hatchette

Leader: Come, let us give thanks to God together,

People: Let us sing songs and make music together,

Leader: Let us watch for signs of His presence among us,

People: Let us remember all the wonderful things He had done,

All: Let us worship our God always keeps His promises!

+THE PRAYER OF PRAISE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts and debtors)

HYMN 20

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

+ THE CALL TO CONFESSION

+THE CONFESSION OF SIN (*Unison*)

**Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you
and we confess that we have too often forgotten
that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives
as if there was no God and we fall short of being
a credible witness to You. For these things we ask
your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength.
Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness
to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us
to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with.
Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and
with those You have given us on earth.**

-In silence you may offer your need for God's forgiveness

+THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Brothers and sisters, nothing we say or do
can ever separate us from God's mercy and love,
for God's gifts and God's call can never be withdrawn.

People: God's ultimate purpose is not to punish, but to forgive.

Leader: So be at peace. God has heard your confession.
Your sins are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

+SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

+ A SONG OF PRAISE

No. 582

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was
in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (children 5 and under may go to nursery after)

THE ANTHEM "Pass it on"

James Cantrell, guitar

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 11:25-36

THE SERMON "The Rest of the Story" Rev. Julie Schaaf

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

+THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN 634 "To God Be the Glory"

+CHARGE AND BLESSING

+THE POSTLUDE "*Bagatelle*"