

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 20, 2009

10:50 AM

The Kingdom of Heaven turns traditional values upside down. The least become greatest, masters become servants, the first shall be last, and children set examples. Whoever receives Jesus really welcomes, not him, but God who sent him. Whatever we do in Christ's name is done not by us but by the Spirit within us. To live in God's reign is to welcome surprises. Be open to change as you believe in the gospel.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available in the Educational Wing.

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE/MEDITATION

All are asked to complete the attendance register in the pew and pass it along to each person. Please indicate any prayer concerns also to be given to the ushers during the offering.

Prelude

*Call to Worship

God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

God is the stronghold of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?

Behold all the beauty of God and make inquiry in God's temple.

We have come to worship and seek wisdom, to find shelter and help amid life's storms.

God lifts us up from our doubts and fears, granting us confidence and courage.

We will offer sacrifices of joy and thanksgiving, we will sing and make melody to our God.

*Processional Hymn

Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

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*Invocation

*Hymn of Praise

Christ Beside Me

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PROCLAMATION

New Testament Reading

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

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Those who live from the wisdom from above live in peace responding graciously toward others, resisting the selfish willfulness of the flesh, and drawing them near to God.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Pastor Charles

Children's Church (Children age 4 through 1st grade may go to the Children's Church Room)

Prayers of the People

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn

I Surrender All

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*Gospel Reading

Mark 9:30-37

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Jesus teaches his disciples a second time that he will face betrayal, execution, and resurrection. For the second time as well, the disciples demonstrate they do not understand his teaching by continuing to argue about who is the greatest. Jesus places a child already in their midst at the center of their attention to remind them that whoever welcomes such a child welcomes Jesus and the One who sent him.

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Message

Is A Child Welcome Here?

Rev. Charles Swadley

RESPONSE

Offertory Prayer

Unison

Let us pray: We offer sacrifices of joy and thanksgiving, for you, God, have blessed us in mercy and wisdom, opening us to reason, gentleness, and purposeful service. May our work for you bear good fruits, and these offerings help to accomplish the tasks for which you have called us. Amen.

Offertory Anthem

Talk With Us, Lord

Lovelace

*Doxology

Unison

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. Repeat

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. Repeat

*Apostles Creed

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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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn

Jesus United by Thy Grace

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*Commission and Sending

We have received wisdom from above; let us carry it into our daily living.

We go forth as servants of God, devoted to peace and righteousness.

Be peaceable, gentle, and open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits.

With sincerity and confidence we undertake the work to which God calls us.

Learn from children to honor God aright; receive children as valuable expressions of God.

The light of God's salvation shines on us. We go forth in the strength Christ gives. Amen.

*Benediction

***Benediction Response**

***Postlude**

Hearing devices are available (special loops for hearing aids). Large print bulletins are now available. *Please stand as you are able whenever you see this symbol. All **bold type** indicates congregational participation. As we worship, we are using the United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) and The Faith We Sing (TFWS). We do ask that you turn off all electronic equipment, including cell phones, as a courtesy to others. Nursery care for infants-preschoolers is available at the 10:50AM Service, in the educational wing. Please see an usher for assistance.

Welcome! We are so pleased that you have chosen to worship with us on this day. Your presence is an encouragement and inspiration to us. Let us celebrate our faith and offer our thanks and praise to God for the blessings. If you desire to join our church, please speak to Rev. Charles Swadley or Rev. Bruce Lake. Membership occurs with Profession of Faith or a Letter of Transfer from another United Methodist Church or other Christian Church.

The **Flowers** on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Fred Deal by his family. The **Acolytes** are Josephine Kamanda and Emory Magner. The **Crucifer** is Taylor Bliss. The **Lay Reader** is Nabil Saad. The **Lay Speaker** is Kip Robinson. The **Greeter** is Dorothy Lake. The **Outside Greeter is First Response Team:** Bud and Sylvia Arbogast.

Our Church Staff:

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