

Order of Worship for 10/13/24

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* Please rise in body/spirit | Congregational responses are in bold

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Seek good and not evil; seek the Lord and live!

All: May the Lord our God be with us.

One: Seek good and not evil, that justice may prevail.

All: May the Lord our God show us grace.

OPENING PRAYER

You alone are holy, O God; you alone are good. Help us to let go of worldly goods and leave lesser things behind so that we may be ready to enter your holy realm on that day when the first are last and the last are first; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #461

God is Here

1 God is here! As we Your people Meet to offer praise and prayer, May we find in fuller measure What it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, All our varied skills and arts Wait the coming of the Spirit Into open minds and hearts.

2 Here are symbols to remind us Of our lifelong need of grace; Here are table, font, and pulpit; Here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, Here in silence, as in speech, Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

3 Here our children find a welcome In the Shepherd's flock and fold, Here, as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant Seek in worship to explore What it means in daily living To believe and to adore.

4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, In an age of change and doubt Keep us faithful to the gospel, Help us work Your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, All we have to give, receive; We, who cannot live without You, We adore you! We believe!

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all)

God of justice and mercy, we confess that we put ourselves first and trust in things that will not last. We desire evil and scorn the good; we gather up power and wealth and push aside the needy in our way. O Lord, be gracious to us in spite of our great sin. Teach us to love your justice and share in your mercy. Help us to seek the treasure of heavenly life with you; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: In the name of Jesus Christ,

All: We are forgiven.

*HYMN #577 Glory Be to the Father

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Old Testament page 853

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 10:17-31

This is the Word of the Lord.

New Testament page 46

Thanks be to God!

SERMON Elder Joel Settles

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The 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.

*HYMN #388

O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Jesus, I have promised
To serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If Thou wilt be my guide.

2 O let me feel Thee near me! The world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, The tempting sounds I hear; My foes are ever near me, Around me and within; But Jesus, draw Thou nearer, And shield my soul from sin.

3 O let me hear Thee speaking In accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, The murmurs of self will; O speak to reassure me, To hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, Thou hast promised To all who follow Thee That where Thou art in glory There shall Thy servant be; And, Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, My Master and my friend.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #592

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

God of mercy,

Be gracious unto us.

SENT IN GOD'S NAME

*CLOSING HYMN #344

Christ of the Upward Way

1 Christ of the upward way,
My Guide divine,
Where Thou hast set Your feet,
May I place mine;
And move and march wherever You have trod,
Keeping face forward up the hill of God.

2 Give me the heart to hear Your voice and will, That without fault or fear I may fulfill Your purpose with a glad and holy zest, Like one who would not bring less than the best.

3 Christ of the upward way,
My Guide divine,
Where You have set Your feet,
May I place mine;
And when Your last call comes serene and clear,
Calm may my answer be, "Lord, I am here."

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

