Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

July 17, 2022 10:00 a.m.



PRELUDE Come, Thou Fount

arr. R. Robinson

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT How Can I Keep From Singing

Lowry, arr. R. Walters

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#649 Gather Us In

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***INVOCATION AND 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, your church is invited to be a place of prayer and worship, fellowship and caring for one another. We confess that we often fail to be the people you have called us to be. We find it difficult to love those who hold different views from ours. We avoid tasks that we feel are beneath us. We befriend those who are easy to like and shun those who need more from us than we are willing to give. We fail to listen to those whose problems seem trivial to us. Forgive us Lord. May your Spirit give us wisdom to live together in grace and harmony. May we love one another as you have loved us. (Silence for personal confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

R. Goodson 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

FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 8:1-11, 22-31 Pages 654-5, 1st half of the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

More Love to Thee, O Christ

arr. C. Saint-Saëns

LITANY (Based on Proverbs 8) One: God created the world with wisdom: the heavens and the earth, the skies and the sea. Many: Rejoice for wisdom brings life. One: God created everything with wisdom: every animal and all plant life, each person who inhabits the earth. Many: Rejoice for wisdom brings delight. One: God's spirit gives wisdom to his people: to speak truth, to bring justice, to do what is right. Many: Rejoice for wisdom is more precious than finest gold. All: We will praise you O God, the author of all wisdom. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. ***HYMN OF PRAISE** #31 I Sing the Almighty Power of God **ELLACOMBE** CHILDREN'S BLESSING PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ***HYMN OF MEDITATION** #575 Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service **BEACH SPRING** SECOND TESTAMENT READING Acts 6:1-7 Page 128, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God" SERMON Rev. Jeremy Keay **CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS** Offertory How Deep the Father's Love for Us S. Townend/N. Birkenstock *New Doxology Let's praise God for each good thing. M. Adria All creation, shout and sing! Praise three persons, yet one Love: Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen *Prayer of Gratitude ***HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY** #577 Sing a New Church NETTLETON ***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY** Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you. People: And also with you. **Sung Benediction** May the Road Rise Up to Meet You arr. E. Joliffe *The Sending of the Community *Congregational Amen The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week POSTLUDE ELLACOMBE arr. J. D. Payne *Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Writing Prayers - Anne Bellamy; Prayers of the People - Gordon Dinwoodie; Guest Organist - Jane Fagnan; Offering of Music - Joanne Linden, Adrienne Sitko, Leanne Regehr Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams

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