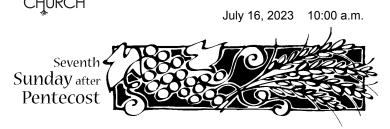
FIRST Seeking the peace and well-being of the city



PRELUDE Little Chorale Prelude on "Slane"

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** #27 God of Creation, All-Powerful

SLANE

G M Martin

*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

We like our privacy, you know, God. Some of what we do and who we are we prefer to keep hidden. We're uncomfortable with the "search me and know me" routine. There are things we don't even want to admit to ourselves that we know aren't right. But because we know you love us unconditionally we'll risk asking you to shine your light into our dark places to see what wicked ways there might be. We're sorry for those and need your forgiveness. Take care of those parts, please. Forgive us and lead us in the way everlasting.

(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 READING

Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24 Pages 639-640, 1st half of NRSV Bible Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

RESPONSIVE PRAYER (from ministrymatter.com) One: We come with praise for the wonderful works of God. Many: Even before we speak, God knows us completely. One: The Holy One knows us and sustains us, even in our moments of confusion and doubt. Many: Who can count the thoughts of God? They are more than all the sands of the desert. One: Like clay in the hand of the potter, we are shaped into vessels of divine will. All: We come with praise for the wonderful works of God.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

#82 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN OF MEDITATION#596 Help Us Accept Each OtherBECK

SECOND READING Romans 8:1-11 Page 164, 2nd half of NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

My Faith Looks Up to TheeS.E. Rogers*New DoxologyMarco Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing. All creation, shout and sing! Praise three persons, yet one Love: Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen. *Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY #419 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

OLIVET

Dr. Joyce Bellous

*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.**

*The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amen The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

POSTLUDE Laudation

G.M. Martin

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Greeters - Harvey & Sheila Hiller Writing Prayers - Rev. Ken Bellous; Prayers of the People - Liz Grinevitch; Scripture Reading - Barb Falk, Sandra Beckman; Guest Organist - Leroy Hiller; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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