

## *A Service For The Worship Of God*

September 23, 2018

We give thanks that God has called us to worship together.

### **Processional Hymn #464 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

#### **Call To Worship**

Leader: Happy are the people

**People: who do not follow the advice of the wicked**

Leader: or take the path that they follow,

**People: or sit in the seat of people who make fun of others.**

Leader: Their delight is in the law of the Lord,

**People: and they meditate on God's law day and night.**

Leader: The Lord watches over the way of the righteous,

**People: but the way of the wicked will perish.**

#### ***A Word of Welcome and Announcements***

#### **Hymn: Grace Alone – Promise Keepers Choir**

Every promise we can make  
Every prayer and step of faith  
Every difference we will made Is only  
by His grace

Every mountain we will climb  
Every ray of hope we shine  
Every blessing left behind,  
Is only by His grace

Grace alone - which God supplies  
Strength unknown - He will provide  
Christ in us - our cornerstone  
We will go forth in grace alone

Every soul we long to reach  
Every heart we hope to teach  
Everywhere we share His peace,  
Is only by His grace

Every loving word we say  
Every tear we wipe away  
Every sorrow turned to praise  
Is only by His grace

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#### ***Call To Confession***

With sincere hearts and minds, let us confess our sins before God and one another, trusting in God's mercy to forgive.

## **Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

**God of wisdom, forgive our foolishness. We desire what we do not need and corrupt our relationships with envy. You urge us to gentleness, but we stir up conflict. Give us your grace, that we may harvest righteousness and peace, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Teacher, we pray.**

(Silent Confession) — In Christ's name we pray. **Amen.**

## ***Assurance Of Pardon***

Leader: In the person of Jesus Christ, our merciful God lifts our burdens and removes shame of the failures from our past and turns us to new and holy life.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God**

**\*Gloria Patri: *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. Amen.***

## ***Passing The Peace Of Christ***

Leader: *As a forgiven people, let us share the peace of Christ  
The Peace Of Christ Be With You.*

**People: And Also With You.**

Leader: *Let us turn and greet one another*

## **Children's Time**

**Hymn: #448 Lead On O King Eternal**

## **Prayers Of The People and Lord's Prayer**

(You are invited to share out loud your prayer concerns and joys)

Leader: Lord in you mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

## ***Lord's Prayer (in unison)***

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **Prayer Response**

Hymn #325 Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

Spirit divine, attend our prayers,  
And make this house your home;  
Descend with all your gracious powers;  
O come, great Spirit, come!

**Offering** (let us present our Offerings, Tithes and Gifts to the Lord)

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

\*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Choral Anthem**

**Will The Circle Be Unbroken**

**Scripture**

**Mark 9:30-37 (NRSV)**

**They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.**

**Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."**

**Message**

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**Hymn:** Chain Breaker – Zach Williams

If you've been walking the same old  
road for miles and miles

If you've been hearing the same old  
voice tell the same old lies

If you're trying to fill the same old  
holes inside

There's a better life

There's a better life

If you've got pain

He's a pain taker

If you feel lost

He's a way maker

If you need freedom or saving

He's a prison-shaking Savior

If you've got chains

He's a chain breaker

We've all search for the light of day  
in the dead of night  
We've all found ourselves worn out  
from the same old fight  
We've all run to things we know just  
ain't right  
And there's a better life  
There's a better life

If you've got pain  
He's a pain taker  
If you feel lost  
He's a way maker  
If you need freedom or saving  
He's a prison-shaking Savior  
If you've got chains  
He's a chain breaker

If you believe it  
If you receive it  
If you can feel it  
Somebody testify

If you believe it  
If you receive it  
If you can feel it  
Somebody testify Testify

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### **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **\*Response**

God be with you till we meet again,  
By His counsels guide, up hold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you  
God be with you till we meet again.

\*=Those for whom it is comfortable are invited to stand

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