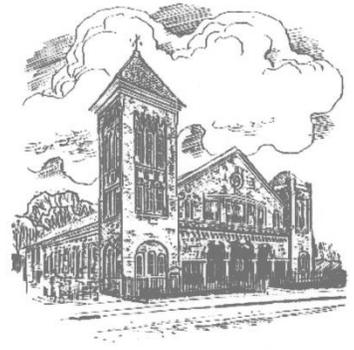


10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

September 19, 2021



CENTERING PRAYER

You alone are holy, O God; you alone are good. Help us to let go of worldly concerns and leave lesser things behind so that we may enter your holy kingdom every day.

PRELUDE

How Can I Keep from Singing?
ROBERT LOWRY / EDWARD BROUGHTON

CALL TO WORSHIP

The kingdom of God is at hand.

We want to enter this kingdom.

How hard it is to enter God's kingdom.

We have to be ready to let go of the things that tie us down.

The grace of God is abundant for all.

With God, all things are possible!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we look for you in the wrong places.

We put our trust in material things.

We worry about things we cannot change.

For all the times we have doubted you, Lord, forgive us.

**For all the ways we have neglected your word
and ignored your people, forgive us.**

Do not be far from us, Lord.

There is no one else we can turn to for help.

Renew our fickle hearts and help us put our trust in you.

Hear our silent confession:

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

There is no wrong that God cannot make right.

There is no chasm that can separate us from God's love.

Turn to the Lord with confidence and put your faith in God's great mercy.

By the power of Jesus Christ, we are made whole. Amen.

THE PEACE

PLEASE SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST WITH YOUR PEW NEIGHBORS.

MOMENT OF TEACHING

ACTION PRAYER

Dear God,	You love the world.	You love me.
Help me	love you.	Help me love the world.

ANTHEM

Here I Am, Lord
DANIEL L. SCHUTTE / JOEL RANEY

-ANGIE RADER, FLUTE
-REV. STEVE YOUNG, PIANO

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

By your Spirit, reveal to us your Word, O God, living and active in our world.
**Let your Word transform our lives, to do impossibly good things
as we follow Jesus, our savior.**

THE GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-27

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him,
Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?

Jesus said to him,

Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.
You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery;
You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud;
Honor your father and mother.’

He said to Jesus,

Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.

Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said,

You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor,
and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.
**When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving,
for he had many possessions.**

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples,

How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!
And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again,
Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go
through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.

They were greatly astounded and said to one another,

Then who can be saved?

Jesus looked at them and said,

For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.

SERMON

Three Endings

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

UMH 895

THIS ALSO IS OUR OFFERING

MOMENT OF STEWARDSHIP

**THE MONEY YOU CONTRIBUTE TODAY FUNDS OUR MUSIC, STAFF, UTILITIES,
AND THE MINISTRIES OF TRINITY WHICH CHRIST IS CALLING US TO OFFER.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

OFFERTORY

Something for Thee
ROBERT LOWRY / HAROLD DECOU

DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN

Take My Life and Let it Be

UMH 399

*Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.*

*Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.*

*Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.*

BENEDICTION

Jesus says, Come, follow me!

Let us seek the Lord and live!

POSTLUDE

Bourree and Rigaudon from Water Music
G. F. HANDEL / VAN DENMAN THOMPSON