

October 27, 2019 – 10:00 am
20th Sunday After Pentecost



“Being honest in our prayers.”

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- PLEASE RESPOND WITH WORDS IN BOLD PRINT.
- LITURGY BY REV CHRISTOPHER NEY
- SCRIPTURE TEXTS FROM THE COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE.
- *PLEASE STAND IF COMFORTABLY ABLE.
- **NCH** IS THE NEW CENTURY HYMNAL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE: **"You Are My All in All" Dennis Jernigan**

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: Based on Psalm 65

One: Praise waits for you, O God, in all your world!

**Many: You hear our prayers, forgive our sins and
call us to dwell with you!**

One: God of our hope, you are the life of the entire
world.

**Many: Your faithfulness calls forth songs of joy
from the ends of the earth.**

One: You formed the mountains and still the roaring
sea. You calm the uproar of the nations.
You care for the land, bless it with water,
and fill it with grain to feed the people.

ALL: Let all creation shout and sing for joy.

*OPENING HYMN: **"This is My Father's World"**

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*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION: **We give you thanks
for all the ways that you bless our lives: the beauty and
abundance of nature, the love of family and friends,
the joy of knowing you and hearing your word. Send
Your Spirit during this time of worship so that we might
dream your dreams and see visions of the world as you
created it to be. Guide our thoughts and actions.
Bring us closer to you so that we might do your will and
dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

Let us give God our praise and thanksgiving.

***GLORIA: NCH 759**

**Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit,
Three- in-One; as it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

FIRST TESTAMENT READING: Joel 2:23-32 Lay Liturgist

RESPONSIVE PSALM READING: Psalm 65 Page 661

EPISTLE READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Lay Liturgist

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM:

“You Are My All in All/Fairest Lord Jesus”

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL:

***GOSPEL READING: Luke 18:9-14**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

SERMON: “Being Honest with God and Yourself”

***HYMN OF RESPONSE: NCH 284 “Joys are Flowing”**

PASTORAL PRAYER:

(Beginning with silent personal prayer)

**THE LORD’S PRAYER: Our Father in heaven, hallowed
be your name. Your kingdom come; Your 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: NCH 769

**Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God;
Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.**

INVITATION TO SHARE:

OFFERTORY: “He Who Began a Good Work in You” Mohr

***DOXOLOGY: NCH 780 (DIFFERENT WORDS)**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done.
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

**Loving God, we give thanks for the visions and dreams
that you share with your people. We offer these gifts in
response to your abundant blessings and ask that you
use them and the commitment they represent to share
your good news with all the world. Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN: NCH 52**

“There is a Name I love to Hear”

***BENEDICTION:**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE: NCH 82 “Go My Children”**

**Go, my children with my blessing, never alone;
Waking sleeping, I am with you, you are my own;
In my love’s baptismal river
I have made you mine forever,
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.**

***POSTLUDE: “They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our
Love” Mark Hayes**