

November 1, 2020 – 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Opening Song (Instrumental)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Liturgist #1: Come, all who are thirsty, whose souls are fainting. Come, all whose troubles seem overwhelming.

Liturgist #2: The Source and Creator of all things welcomes us. God hears our cries and is ready to help us.

Liturgist #1: Come, all who are pure, upright, and blameless. Come, all who dwell day by day in God's realm.

Liturgist #2: The Messiah has more to teach us. Jesus turns us from seeking honor to humble service.

Liturgist #1: Draw near and hear the word of our God. Open your lives to the Spirit who fills all things.

Liturgist #2: We sense the presence of truth seeking to enter us. We feel the love of God eager to embrace us.

Song (Instrumental)

Confession of Sin (Liturgist #2)

Gracious God, help us to be honest with ourselves, with one another, and with you. We have searched for life amid temporary attractions. We have sought excitement in places that turned out to be desert wastelands. We have burdened others with our mistakes. We have sought honors and made comparisons to look better than those around us. We have devoted little time to thanking and praising you, the Source of all things. Open us now, I God, to the Word we need from you. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

Old Testament Lesson – Joshua 3:7-17 (Liturgist #1)

Children's Sermon

Song (recorded)

Epistle Lesson – 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 (Liturgist #1)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Lord's Prayer (Liturgist #2)

Offering

Gospel Lesson – Matthew 23:1-12

Sermon

Communion

Song (Instrumental)

Benediction

Postlude

*This morning's radio broadcast is sponsored by Harland and Lorraine Hartmann, in honor and celebration of their 66th wedding anniversary on November 6. Happy Anniversary, Harland and Lorraine!

*The Open and Affirming Committee will meet at 5pm on Thursday November 5 at the Lendved home (weather permitting)