

October 25, 2020 – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Greeting

Opening Song (Instrumental)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Liturgist #1: Gather together to hear stories of faith and courage. Listen for the ways God has acted among us.

Liturgist #2: Our ancestors in the faith listened for God's word. They dared to believe God's promises.

Liturgist #1: Leaders like Moses and Paul saw evidence of God's work. They believed they were face-to-face with God's truth.

Liturgist #2: They looked beyond the present moment. They lived for dreams not yet realized.

Liturgist #1: Many felt God's love in knowing Jesus. They experienced a new relationship with neighbors.

Liturgist #2: We have come seeking community centered in Christ. We want to feel God's presence as we worship.

Song (Instrumental)

Confession of Sin (Liturgist #2)

O God, we have missed your signs and wonders because we are so busy creating our own. Those around us who pretend to be your prophets offer little to which we aspire. We want you to satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love so that we may rejoice and be glad in all our days. Does Jesus hold the key when he says, "Love God with all your being," and "Love your neighbor as yourself"? O God, we long to make sense out of life. Help us to follow your way. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri (Instrumental)

Old Testament Lesson – Deuteronomy 34:1-12 (Liturgist #1)

Children's Sermon

Song (Recorded)

Epistle Lesson – 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (Liturgist #1)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Lord's Prayer (Liturgist #2)

Offering

Gospel Lesson – Matthew 22:34-46

Sermon

Song (Instrumental)

Benediction

Postlude

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