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16th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service—8:15 AM September 20, 2020



Gathering Hymn

“The Church’s One Foundation”

Hymn 654

Dialogue and Doxology

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, O God,
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Praise to the blest and holy Trinity, one God,
who gives us life, salvation, and resurrection.

Confession

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We turn from your loving embrace
and go our own ways.**

**We pass judgment on one another
before examining ourselves.**

We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

**Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you**

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God hears the cries of all who call out in need,

and through his death and resurrection,

Christ has made us his own.

Hear the truth that God proclaims:

Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness

to do God’s work in the world.

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Scripture Readings

1st Reading

Psalm

2nd Reading

Gospel

Jonah 3:10—4:11

Psalm 145:1-8

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

Sermon

Vicar Gayle Nelson

Gospel Litany

You have been born anew
through the living and abiding word of God.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,
but in these last days God has spoken to us by the Son.

In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel,
you have come to your people and set them free.

You have raised up for us a mighty Savior,
born of the house of your servant David.

Through your holy prophets, you promised of old to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us,

to show mercy to our forebears,
and to remember your holy covenant.

This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

free to worship you without fear,
holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,

to give God's people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.

to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Come thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Hymn 807

Blessing and Benediction

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Almighty God, the Father, ☩ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
Amen.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Fred Vallejo and in honor of Julie Vallejo Plane on her birthday, September 27th

Bulletin Covers are given to the glory of God by Kim, Ed, Frazier, Cooper & Jensen Redmond and Eric & Natalie Smith in memory of Arlene Klapman on her birthday September 23rd.

Worship Leaders

*Rev. Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor
Mrs. Elise Helms, Interim Choir Director
Mrs. Sandra Lindler, Interim Organist*

*Rev. Rus Stilwell, Pastor of Visitation
Vicar Gayle Nelson, Intern
Mrs. Karen Shevenell, Minister of Music, Faith*