

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Second Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

One never knows how far a word of kindness goes; One never sees how far a smile of friendship flees.
From the poem Kindness by Edgar Albert Guest

PRELUDE *Morning Prayer in Church* P.I. Tchaikowsky

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

INTROIT *Alabaré A Mi Señor* José Pagán-Lopez

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather this morning to remember what God wants us to do

All: To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

One: We have come for a glimpse of God's kingdom of kindness,

All: To remember that now is always the right time to be kind

One: So with kindness in our hearts,

All: Let us worship God.

*HYMN *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* GG: 761

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Micah 6:8, pg. 866

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 33:4-5, pg. 507

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: If we confess our sins, God will forgive us. Let us admit our sins and ask God to forgive us.

All: We confess that we have not always been kind to others. Sometimes we

fight, yell, push, hit or kick. Sometimes we are ungrateful, bully others or leave someone out. Forgive us for being unkind. Help us to show kindness to others by giving someone a hug, giving a compliment, making someone laugh, or sharing.

(A time of silent confession)

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: No matter what we do, God will be there for us. God loves you and you are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (sung) *God is so Good*, vs. 1, 3 GG: 658

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you

One: Let us share the peace of Christ with each other.

HEARING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Love Your Neighbor* Joyful Noise Choir

SCRIPTURE: Luke 10: 25-37, pg. 71

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Lessons in Kindness" Sunday School Children

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ABBIE

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Von Fremden Landern und Menschen* R. Schumann

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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 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.**

GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* GG: 727

*BENEDICTION

All kids: Go in peace to share love and kindness with everyone you meet.

CHORAL BENEDICTION Jazz Alleluia Thomas Benjamin

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Voluntary* William Goodwin

*All who are able please stand.

Participating in Worship

Harper Duff
Anneka Goldberg
Temperence Goldberg
Christopher Linares
Lilli Olori
London Patrick
Adelaide Patrick
Saanvi Pundukare
Michael Rios
Harley Rios
Sydney Scherer
April Scherer
Geordanna Townsend
Geordan Townsend

A special thank you to our Sunday School teachers and helpers this year. Also, thanks especially to our Sunday School Superintendent, Patty Zollinger, for helping make this a successful and meaningful year.

A poem called 'Kind Hearts are the Gardens' by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

*Kind hearts are the gardens,
Kind thoughts are the roots,
Kind words are the flowers,
Kind deeds are the fruits.
Take care of your garden,
And keep out the weeds,
Fill it with sunshine;
Kind words and kind deeds.*

- In Sunday school we read the book *Because Amelia Smiled* by David Ezra Stein. We made these flowers to represent acts of kindness.
- When Anneka got on the bus, the bus driver smiled at her.
- Because the bus driver smiled, I thought of my teacher's smile and decided to make her a card.
- Because Anneka made her teacher a card, her teacher was happy and decided to tell a joke. The joke made me laugh.
- Sydney's laugh made me happy. Because I was happy, I shared my toy with Temperance.
- While playing with the toy, I heard a girl being mean to April. I told the girl to leave April alone.
- Because the girl left me alone, I could have fun playing tag. While playing tag, I saw Elliot sitting alone. I invited Elliot to play tag.
- Because Elliot played tag, he was thirsty. While he got a drink of water, he saw that Michael also looked thirsty and got him a cup of water.
- While I drank water, I saw London spill her water and helped her clean it up.
- I thanked Michael for his help.
- Hearing London say thank you reminded Scarlet of her sister.
- When Scarlet saw Harley, she told her, "You are the best!"
- Hearing this compliment made Harley give Scarlet a hug.
- Because I saw Harley and Scarlet hug, I smiled.