

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of Containing God's gift of himself. ~Mother Theresa

Do not make prayer a monologue...make it a conversation. ~ Author Unknown

PRELUDE

Diapason Movement

William Walond

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

INTROIT

I Owe My Lord a Morning Song

John Bell
Soloist, Julie Schmidt

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Welcome to worship this day.

All: We have come seeking peace and hope.

One: This is the house of the Lord. In it you will find what you seek.

All: Help us to open our hearts to God's words and will for us.

One: Ask for God's help - it will be given to you.

All: Praise be to God who loves and cares for us.

*HYMN

Seek Ye First

GG: 175

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 138, pg. 577

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lord, it has been a difficult week. Things have happened for which we were not prepared. We have not responded to difficulties with love, but rather with impatience. We have turned our backs on others in need, placing our own comfort first. We have been stressed, pulled, pushed, and thrown. Forgive us our

shortcomings and give us peace, Gracious God. Help us to slow down so that we can receive your healing word of love. Remind us that we stand in need of forgiveness, and then after having received such love, we are to love and serve others. Teach us to pray for courage and strength; teach us how to be good disciples for you.

(A time of silent confession)

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: Even when things seem dark, God is with us. God's love is powerful enough to overcome any darkness that we encounter.

All: We remember how much love has been given for us and we rejoice!

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

*God is so good; God is so good; God is so good; God's so good to me;
God loves me so; God loves me so; God loves me so; God's so good to me.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Hear the teaching of Christ: A new command I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you. 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

For the Lord Will Lead

Felix Mendelssohn
Soloist, Julie Schmidt

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*HYMN

I Come with Joy

GG: 515

GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

SCRIPTURE: Luke 11:1-13, pg. 72

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Ask and You Shall Receive”

Pastor Abbie Huff

*HYMN

I've Got Peace like a River

GG: 623

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Short Voluntary

John Wogan

*All who are able please stand.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Sarabande

G.F. Handel

*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.