

The Service of Worship
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 25, 2010 - 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Our Father in Heaven

J.S. Bach

Greetings and Welcome

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Concerns and Celebrations of the Church

Fellowship Registration

Please pass the fellowship pad found at the end of the row, record information, and return the pad to its starting point. Then please remove sheet and place in the offering plate when it is passed.

Introit

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?

Teschner

O Lord, how shall I meet You,
How welcome You aright?
Your people long to greet You,
My hope, my heart's delight!
O kindle, Lord most holy,
A lamp within my breast,
To do in spirit lowly
All that may please You best.

***Call to Worship**

Billie Luck Kitchin

You have been gracious to your land, O Lord,
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
**You have forgiven the iniquity of your people,
and blotted out all our sins.**
O Lord, you will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.
**Righteousness shall go before you,
and peace shall be a pathway for your feet.**

***Hymn**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

PH #356
NETTLETON

***Prayer of Confession**

Billie Luck Kitchin

Compassionate God, you are more ready to hear than we are to speak. You are more ready to forgive than we are to confess. You invite us to open our hearts to you in prayer, but we close ourselves to you and follow other paths. Again and again you draw near, but we keep turning away. Our sinfulness has led to our undoing. Lord, teach us to pray. Lead us to seek you. In your light may we see our darkness. In your truth may we know our lies. As we admit our sins,

help us discover your grace and receive your mercy, so that we may live the abundant life you have prepared for us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Period of Silent Prayer**

In our Savior's name we pray. **Amen.**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Billie Luck Kitchin

Hear the Good News: "In Christ we are forgiven, our sins have been redeemed."

We can declare with confidence: We are forgiven.

***Congregational Response**

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O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?

Teschner

Love caused Your incarnation,
Love brought You down to me;
Your thirst for my salvation
Procured my liberty.
O love beyond all telling,
That led You to embrace
In love all loves excelling
Our lost and fallen race.

Old Testament Lesson

Hosea 1:1-10

pew Bible, OT, p. 787

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A Time for Young Disciples

Anne Mauldin

All children are invited to the front. Parents are welcome to come with younger children. For age-related opportunities after this time, see the announcement following the order of worship.

Anthem

We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder

trad. arr. Joe Cox

New Testament Lesson

Luke 11:1-13

pew Bible, NT, p. 67

The Word of the Lord.

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Sermon

"What Would God Give Us If We Asked?" William K. Neely

Invitation to Discipleship

To speak with someone about becoming a Christian, church membership or a special prayer need, please go to Room 133 following this service. The room is to your left when exiting the sanctuary.

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed (traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into
hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

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

***Hymn**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

PH #276

FAITHFULNESS

Prayers of the People and 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 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.

The Offering

Offertory

Passacaglia

Jan Bender

***Congregational Response**

Doxology with Alleluias

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all people here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore, Praise Triune God, whom we adore.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***The Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn of Response**

Seek Ye First

PH #333

Lafferty

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

Seek Ye First (verse 3)

Lafferty

**We shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of God;
Allelu, alleluia!**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

***Postlude**

Worship Leaders

Pastor - William K. Neely
Director of Music - William M. Wood
Elder Assisting in Worship - Lynne Marks
Lay Reader - Billie Luck Kitchin