

Third Sunday after Pentecost
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**PREWORSHIP MUSIC & PRELUDE
 GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Cody Eckenrode, Minister of Music

CALL TO WORSHIP¹ (Based on Psalm 90)

Pastor: Lord, you have been our shelter and security from generation to generation.

All: *You breathed creation into being,
 giving shape to mountains and form to the world,
 from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.*

Pastor: You have the power to turn us back to dust;
 a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday to you,
 or like a brief moment in the night.

All: *You sweep us away like a dream,
 like grass which flourishes and grows in the morning,
 but fades and withers in the evening.*

Pastor: Our frailty is revealed when we trust only in ourselves
 and so, fail to number our days wisely.

All: *Turn to us, O God, for you alone are our hope.
 Have compassion on us we pray.*

Pastor: Help us to begin each day focused on your steadfast love,
 so that life will be filled with joy and gladness.

All: *By your mercy and grace, O God,
 transform our afflictions into blessings
 and our wrongful ways into goodness.*

Pastor: Let your work be so visible among us,
 that your glory will be revealed now and for generations to come.

All: *May your grace, O God, enrich our lives
 and give meaning and purpose to our daily activities.
 Amen.*

HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth²

Hymnal, #12

CONFESSION³

Pastor: Trusting in God's love for us, let us confess of our sin, first in silent prayer.

SILENT CONFESSION

All: *God of love and mystery, make us whole. Heal the wounds we carry in us and heal the wounds we have created in others. Make us strong in the broken places, that we will know of what we speak when we offer mercy and hope to others. Forgive us and enable us to forgive as you forgive us. God of love and mystery, make us whole, through your Son Jesus Christ, we pray.
 Amen.*

¹ <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/>

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³ Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good'. Used with permission. (Adapted by Pastor Laura Baker. Visited site: 10 June 2022.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Heidelberg Catechism, Question and Answer)

Pastor: Using the Heidelberg Catechism to assure us of God's mercy and forgiveness, I ask:
What is your only comfort in life and in death?

*All: I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.
Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.*

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN & YOUTH**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Job 3:1-10, 4:1-9, 7:11-21

EPISTLE READING – Hebrews 4:12-16

GOSPEL READING – Mark 10:17-31

SERMON & PASTORAL PRAYER*Friends?*

Rev. Laura C. Baker

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Mr. Cody Eckenrode

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Liturgist: Siblings in Christ, we sing our praises to the Lord, for our God *is* good and worthy! We give our whole selves — our talents and material possessions — to the Church, with the expectation that they will be used to further God's saving purposes. Please join me in re-committing ourselves and our gifts to the Lord's work and let us offer everything in prayer.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Living God, our world cries out in pain, as children and adults bear heavy loads of injustice and sorrow. You respond with this great assurance: 'I am your Savior; I will give you a new life!' Thank you for including us in the work of your church to bring help and renewal to people here and around the globe. Use our lives and these offerings to share the good news of your Spirit's gracious, healing power. We pray through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

HYMN*Jesus Calls Us*

Hymnal, #207

BENEDICTION⁴

Pastor: Beloved of God,
you have been made free by the love of God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Go into the world to serve God by helping others.
Be at peace and share God's peace and love wherever you go.

All: Amen.

POSTLUDE

⁴ Townley, Nancy. Benediction: Worship Connection: October 10, 2021. <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/3119/worship-connection-october-14-2018>. Visited site: 08 June 2022.