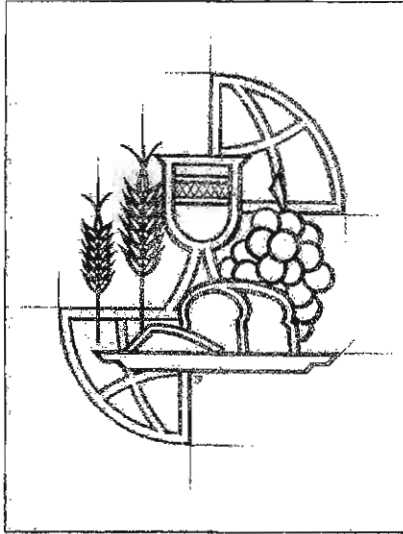


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Worship and Sunday School at 9:30 AM

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

## VISION STATEMENT

**We are a multi-generational Christ community  
seeking to sing God's spirit into the world  
by inviting all, serving all, loving all.**

October 6, 2019  
17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost  
World Communion Sunday

**GATHERING TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT**

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH and WELCOME

SUNDAY SCHOOL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

PRELUDE

*According to Thy Gracious Word*

arr. Martin

OPENING PRAYER

**All: Lord, today we recall your faithfulness.**

**Thank you that you walk with us every day, that you are with us in each moment.**

**Thank you that your promises are true and your goodness never fails us.**

**In this moment we come to you and we lay our lives before you. May we worship and adore you with every fibre of our being. May everything within us cry "Holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come."**

**And so today we join with all those who worship and confess you as Lord, from generations past and present, and with all the angels that sing in heaven of your greatness and beauty. Amen.**

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\*SINGING

*Your Love, O God*

No. 120 (to *Finlandia*)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Elizabeth Rose Dyl

SINGING

*I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*

FWS No. 2051

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES TO GOD**

PRESENTING OUR OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

No. 94

**All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia!**

*\*All who are able, please stand.*

**Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**All: Lord, this money is not payment for services rendered. These aren't our dues necessary for us to belong to this church. We know you made us with a purpose, and so now we give ... on purpose, freely offering to you the best of who we are. Continue to work out your purpose in us. Make us your hands, outstretched, on purpose. Amen.**

**PREPARING TO PRAY**

*Where the Spirit of the Lord Is*

FWS No. 2119

**All: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is peace; where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is love. There is comfort in life's darkest hour; there is light and life, there is help and power in the Spirit, in the Spirit of the Lord.**

**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 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. Amen.**

**CHOIR RESPONSE**

*Be Present at Our Table, Lord*

Old Hundredth

**OPENING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Colossians 3:15-25

NT Pg. 201

**MESSAGE**

Thank You

Katherine Mitchell

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

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*Communion will be offered by intinction to all those who wish to participate. Please follow the Worship Team leaders.*

**\*SINGING**

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

No. 92

**\* THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES INTO THE WORLD**

**SENDING FORTH**

**POSTLUDE**

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Croft

## ***Giving Thanks***

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You who are the Mystery at the heart of all things,  
Source of all that is,  
to you we give thanks.  
For the gift of Creation, and the wonder of this world,  
we thank you.  
For for every creature and the web of all living things  
to which we belong, we thank you.  
For the gift of life, and the miracle that we are here today,  
we thank you.  
For gifts of sight and hearing, the gift of movement and touch,  
and for all the wonders that we behold, we thank you.  
For all the people who have blessed us, we thank you.  
For all our loved ones, for any who have taught us, helped us,  
loved us, accompanied us or prayed for us, we thank you.  
For the food we eat, and all those around the world who provide it,  
we thank you.  
May our gratitude overflow to others,  
especially those who do not have what we do;  
may our thanks take form in giving  
and in working for the world you intend for us.  
O God, fountain of our souls and earth of our lives,  
we thank you,  
and pray that we may always live in humility, gratitude and joy.  
Amen.

Steve Garnaas-Holmes, [unfoldinglight.net](http://unfoldinglight.net)

**CONTACTING PASTOR KATHERINE:** Is there something that Pastor Katherine needs to know?  
Please write it down in *Pastor Katherine's Reminder Book* on the credenza in the hallway  
so that it will not get forgotten in the rush and confusion of Sunday morning!

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