

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
October 21, 2018 10:30 AM

Preparing to Worship

PRELUDE Festive Chimes L. Smith
I Love To Tell The Story arr. D. Wood

THREE CHIMES (honoring the Father, Son and Holy Spirit)

Gathering to Worship

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP Ruth Palmer

INTROIT If My People Will Pray J. Owens
(The Chancel Choir)

INVOCATION (unison) Ruth Palmer
O God, open our hearts to know that you never leave us alone
and that you are constantly working within us to make us whole.
Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our
lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, that we
may know the joy of being your people. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL PRAISE**
Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying #469
We Lift Our Voices #710

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Ruth Palmer
Leader: We gather together to ask God for blessing in this time
and place. We praise God's holy name! We lift our
voices, we humble our hearts and we know again that
we are God's.
**All: We are God's people! We sing praises that we are
together today as one body, willing to serve God in
many places.**

***OPENING HYMN** We Have Come Into His House (insert)

CONGREGATIONAL UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us." We
need your help, loving God, to take the first steps. There is a part
of us that resists all this, and yet you know our resistance, and
how we have tried to put ourselves in your judgment seat. We
have not lived up to your holiness, love and grace. We have
withheld forgiveness when it was in our power to do so. Forgive
us, Lord so that we may be a blessing to others.

HYMN Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God (v. 1) #423

(Silence for self-reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Rev. Linda Ruby
Jesus has modeled for us a life of forgiveness. May we spend
this week practicing the forgiveness of God through the power of
the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** #581

ANTHEM Jesus Shall Reign Where're The Sun E. Thiman
(The Chancel Choir)

YOUTH MESSAGE Rev. Linda Ruby

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hearing The Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

MORNING MESSAGE Rev. Linda Ruby
Prayer of a Praying Church
Scripture Acts 12:5
*⁵So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was
made to God by the church.*

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim #299

Responding to The Word

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

*Hymn Lord, Prepare Me #701
Offertory Anthem The Lord's My Shepherd arr. C. Coles
(The Chosen Few)
*Prayer of Dedication

Leaving as Christ's Servants

***CLOSING HYMN** Give Thanks #647

***THE BENEDICTION**

***THE CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION** #748

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.

***CHIMES**

***POSTLUDE** Auf Meinen Lieben Gott J.N. Hanff

*You may stand if you are able.

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