

# Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Color: Green (symbolizing Growth)

## The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. David Hall

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

10 am Worship Service

August 18, 2019

*As you are seated, please remember to fill out the attendance pad and pass it along the pew.*

\* - Indicates those who are able may stand

### **Bold – Everyone speaks**

*UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (blue hardcover)*

*FWS – The Faith We Sing Hymnal (black paperback)*

*WAS – Worship and Song (green paperback)*

## **Prelude**

Terri Schimmack

## **Greetings and Announcements**

## **Prayer of Safety**

Betty Burke

As we light this lamp, we pray for the safety of all who are in harm's way this day and especially for all those in the midst of conflict.

**Grant us peace, grant them peace, grant the world peace, in the name of Your Son. Amen.**

## **\*Gathering Song**

UMH #79

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

## **Gathering in God's Name**

### **\*Call to Worship**

One: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely.

**Many: Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.**

One: Mindful of the gifts we receive and confident of the sustenance the Lord provides,

**Many: Let us worship God.**

### **Call to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

**God of hope, we confess our disregard of your care, our doubt of your providence, and our blindness to signs of your love. We are afraid to risk our comforts to find new life; we separate ourselves from you and from others and foster divisions between those you love. Help us to amend our lives and make us your faithful people who bear the good fruit of your Word in the world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### **Moment of Stillness and Reflection**

#### **Words of Assurance**

One: God hears our confession, rejoicing as we desire amendment of life. God lifts us from our despondency to rejoice in the company of saints. God acknowledges the forces that separate us, and brings us peace. Rejoice in the knowledge of our reconciliation and a life lived in the presence of God.

**Many: Amen.**

### **Call to Prayer**

**God of Peace, your call, at times, appears to divide us from one another. Help us overcome our fears and respond in courage. Give us faith to trust the unity that is beyond our sight. Give us your eyes to recognize the signs before us. We ask this in the confidence of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Brief prayers may be shared by people in the congregation.*

*If it is a prayer request, the Pastor will end the prayer by saying,  
"God, to your love..."*

*If it is a praise, the Pastor will say, "God, in thanksgiving..."*

*Then the people shall respond each time by saying:  
"...we trust this prayer."*

## **Pastoral Prayer**

### **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 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.**

### **Hymn of Preparation**

UMH #700

"Abide with Me"

### **First Reading from the Word**

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

### **\*Responsorial Hymn**

Doxology

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **Proclamation of God's Word**

### **\*Prayer of Illumination**

**God of Wisdom, we eagerly seek your presence in our lives and in the world. By your Spirit, speak your word to us, and give us your grace to recognize the abundant signs of your care for us, so that we might be freed to act in the world with courage and abandon. Amen.**

### **\*Gospel Reading**

Luke 12:49-56

### **Especially for Children**

FWS #2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

### **The Message**

*Check Your Heart*

Rev. David Hall

## **Responding to God's Word**

### **\*Offering our Gifts and Song**

UMH #500

"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

*(All loose change goes to Beacon Hill)*

*If you are visiting for the first time, your presence is gift enough. We would love to see you again next Sunday!*

### **\*Presentation of the Gifts**

"Glory Be to the Father"

UMH #71

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

### **Service of Holy Communion\*\***

UMH #13

### **\*Hymn of Reflection**

UMH #706

"Soon and Very Soon"

### **\*Taking Christ's Light into the World**

Extinguishing the altar candles

### **\*Benediction**

One: May the God of creation and restoration give you confidence in the daily tasks set before you.

**Many: God is present to us, calling us to attend to our lives and our world.**

One: May the God of love and compassion assure you of your heritage as a child of God.

**Many: Confident in God's provision and direction we go forth inspired, seeking reconciliation in places of division.**

One: May the God of guidance and inspiration mold you in God's image.

**Many: We are filled with gratitude for God's promises.**

One: Go in peace.

**Many: Amen.**

### **\*Benediction Response** (*words on the overhead beams*)

### **\*Passing the Peace**

May the Peace of God go with you.

**And also with you.**

### **\*\*Communion Note**

We also have a separate gluten-free bread and chalice available for those who cannot have gluten. Please ask the servers for "gluten-free".