

19th Sunday After Pentecost

Green (symbolizing the Growth)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. Timothy McConville

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

10 am Worship Service

September 30, 2018

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)

Inspiration

The complexity of rushing to achieve and accumulate more and more threatens frequently to overwhelm us ... Christian simplicity ... brings sanity to our compulsive extravagance, and peace to our frantic spirit. It liberates us from what William Penn called "cumber." It allows us to see material things for what they are — goods to enhance life, not to oppress life. People once again become more important than possessions.

—Richard J. Foster, *Freedom of Simplicity: Finding Harmony in a Complex World* (Zondervan, 2005), 3.

Words of Welcome

Greeting

Prelude

Terri Schimmack

Prayer of Safety

Dave Flagg

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.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We gather together in praise and worship of our Faithful God, because our help and hope rests always in the Lord our God.

People: We bring our praises and thankful responses to our Saving God.

Leader: Blessed be the Lord our God, who is our security and home, and whose mercy and grace free us from all that traps us.

People: Blessings, reverent honor and glory be to the Lord our God.

Leader: We come together to praise and worship our All-Powerful God, because we are confident of God's generous care over us.

People: Our eternal trust is in the name of the Lord our God, who is our Maker, our Savior, and our timeless Home. Amen.

—Based on Psalm 124.

***Opening Hymn**

UMH #126

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Call to Prayer

Unison Prayer of Invocation

Come, O God, and be present with us today in your holy Word. Let it speak to us as we worship, as a living, piercing, judging, dividing and uniting instrument of your glory. Give us a heart that waits upon you for guidance and direction. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Response and Call to Prayer

FWS #2143

"O Lord, Your Tenderness"

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.

Anthem

"My Lord, What a Morning"

Choir

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.

Offering our Gifts

(All loose change goes to Beacon Hill)

To our first time visitors: As the offering plate is passed, please understand that your presence is the only gift we ask. If you would join us again next Sunday, that would be appreciated even more!

***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!

***Prayer of Dedication**

Reading from the Word

Listen for the Word of God.

Our hearts and minds are open.

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Psalm 124 (*UMH 846*)

James 5:13-20

*Mark 9:38-50

Thanksgiving for the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

The Message

Rev. Tim McConville

***Hymn of Discipleship**

FWS #2223

"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

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

Extinguishing the altar candles

***Benediction**

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

***Passing the Peace**

May the Peace of God go with you.

And also with you.

Scriptures for next Sunday, October 7th

Job 1:1; 2:1-10

Psalm 26 or Psalm 25 (*UMH 756*)

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16