

16th 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 9, 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

Loving [To have faith in Christ] means, of course, trying to do all that he says. There would be no sense in saying you trusted a person if you would not take his advice.

Thus if you have really handed yourself over to him, it must follow that you are trying to obey him. But trying in a new way, a less worried way. Not doing these things in order to be saved, but because he has begun to save you already. Not hoping to get to heaven as a reward for your actions, but inevitably wanting to act in a certain way because a first faint gleam of heaven is already inside you.

—C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*.

Words of Welcome

Greeting

Prelude

Terri Schimmack

Prayer of Safety

Jackie Holmquist

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: Holy One, as we gather this morning to worship you, may we speak truth, so that our words may give grace to those who hear.

People: May we pray in faith, so that our words may give grace to those who hear.

Leader: May we sing with joy, so that our words may give grace to those who hear.

People: May we listen with open minds and receptive hearts, so that your words may give grace to us who hear. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

UMH #559

"God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us"

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

"Just Two Words"

Choir

Especially for Children

FWS #2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping 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.

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

Psalm 125

James 2:1-10 (11-13), 14-17

*Mark 7:24-37

Thanksgiving for the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

The Message

Dead Faith

Rev. Tim McConville

The Baptismal Covenant

Audrey Grace Warren

Reception into Membership

The Warren Family

***Hymn of Discipleship**

UMH #593

"Here I Am, Lord"

***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, September 16th

Proverbs 1:20-33

Psalm 19 (UMH 750)

James 3:1-12

Mark 8:27-38