23rd Sunday After Pentecost

Color: Green (symbolizing Growth)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. David Hall Ministers: The Entire Congregation 10:15 am Worship Service November 17, 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)

Greetings and Announcements

Introduction to Stewardship Pledge

Chuck Foster, Treasurer

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.

*Gathering Song

FWS #2270

"He Has Made Me Glad"

Gathering in God's Name

*Call to Worship

One: Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously; Many: Let us sing God's praises throughout all the earth.

One: Shout aloud and sing for joy,

Many: from the highest peaks, to the deepest caverns.

One: Shout aloud and sing for joy,

Many: from the tiniest creatures, to the greatest herds.

One: Shout aloud and sing for joy,

Many: in the midst of our joys and our sorrows.

All: Shout aloud and sing for joy, as we come to worship the God

of all creation!

Call to Confession

Just as the prophet Isaiah assured God's people so many years ago he assures us now that God is our salvation. It is because of that confidence, because of that promise, that we dare approach God with our confession.

Prayer of Confession

God of peace we confess we are a people of fear. We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights. We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension. We confess we have ignored your command to not be afraid. Forgive us, O God. Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs, and renew in us the ability to find our comfort in you. Amen.

Moment of Stillness and Reflection

Words of Assurance

One: The prophet Isaiah assures us: God is building a new heaven and a new earth; the former things will not be remembered or come to mind. Forgiven and freed, rejoice in what the Lord is creating in you, in me, in all creation.

Many: Praise the Lord, and bless God's holy name forever.

Call to Prayer

God, who labored creation into being, we give thanks for this day and the privilege to work in your world. We pray this day for those for whom this Lord's Day is not a day of rest but of toil. We pray this day for those who cannot afford to take Sabbath and for those who believe they cannot afford to take Sabbath. Grant us the strength to labor for what is right, just, and fair. Grant us the

wisdom to speak out for those who are enslaved, oppressed, and exploited. Grant us the ability to break the chains of injustice and hear the voices of people long silenced. We pray this day for the privilege to work in your world; may we make it better. In Jesus' name we pray. 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 praver."

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Praver

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.

Praise and Preparation "A Harvest of Thanksgiving"

Choir

First Reading from the Word

*Responsorial Hymn

Doxology

UMH #94

Isaiah 65:17-25

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 the earthquake and the silence, quiet in us any voice but your own, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we might hear, and in hearing we might believe, and in believing we might act, making way for your new creation. Amen.

*Gospel Reading

Luke 21:5-9

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.

The Message

Shaped by the Reign

Rev. David Hall

Responding to God's Word

Response in Praise and Offering

FWS #2210

"Joy Comes with the Dawn"

(All loose change goes to Anchorage Gospel Mission)
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" 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.

UMH #70

Service of Holy Communion**

UMH #13

*Hymn of Reflection

UMH #733

"Marching to Zion"

*Taking Christ's Light into the World

Extinguishing the altar candles

*Charge and Blessing

One: And now may the God of our salvation, our strength and our comfort, guard your hearts and minds this day and evermore.

Many: Amen

*Benediction (Beam Song)

*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".