

Service of the Word and Sacrament

June 10, 2018

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! It's a joy to worship with you today.

Prelude

Welcome

The Rev. Jill H. Small

Introit

Call to Worship (responsive)

One: Under the dome of God's world, we gather.

All: Within the embrace of God's love, we gather.

One: This is God's wide welcome.

All: Each different and all the same, we are God's people.

One: This is the day that God has made!

All: Let us give thanks for all of our days!

* **Opening Hymn** *Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good (verses 1 & 2)* # 6 NCH
(*Congregation may stand)

Sing praise to God, our highest good, profound respect expressing.

God gives us health, life, livelihood, with every needed blessing.

*To God, who wondrous works performs, creating life and calming storms,
to God give praise and glory!*

Creation thanks you, Holy One: you made us and renew us.

Delighted at what you have done, you show your greatness through us.

*So may all living things proclaim the wonders of their Maker's name:
to God give praise and glory!*

Invocation (unison)

Holy One, you have created everything that was, is, and ever will be. May your Spirit move among us as we honor you now.

Presentation of the 2019 Confirmation Class

Anthem

"Brother James' Air" arr. by Gordon Jacob

Chancel Choir

Sharing Joys and Concerns
Our Church Family Prays

The Lord's Prayer/Prayer of Jesus

Our Father/Creator who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom/Reign come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom/Reign, and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering *Gifts of time, talent, and treasure make possible the mission and ministry we share. You're welcome to use a pew card to note online giving and gifts of service. Thank you.*

Offertory

* **Doxology** (#780 NCH)

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Surrounded by your world, O God, we give you thanks. May we respect and share the wonders of life that you have created for us and within us. Bless the gifts we bring so that they bless others. Whoever we are, wherever we are, we are yours and in your name we pray.

* **Hymn** *Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good (verses 3 & 4)* # 6 NCH

What God has made, God will preserve, with righteousness unailing.

Regardless what we may deserve, we see this good prevailing.

*To God who governs evermore with justice serving rich and poor,
to God give praise and glory!*

I cry to God, in pain and grief, "Please, God of mercy, hear me!"

My certain help provides relief, faith, hope, and love to cheer me.

*So let me sing, joyful and free: ah, thankful Christians, sing with me:
to God give praise and glory!*

Text for the Day

Christian Scripture

Mark 3:20-26

Sermon

"Of Heart and Mind"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

There is a place for you at this table; you are welcome here.

Invitation

One: The whole of creation is God's gift to us.

All: **We are called to care for all that God created: lands, seas, skies, and creatures.**

One: We are the whole people of God: remembered, renewed, redeemed.

All: **May we be at peace with one another.**

The Greeting of Peace *You are invited to greet those near you, sharing the peace of God.*

The Great Thanksgiving

One: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

One: Blessed are you Holy God, with all who know you and all who love you, we join the endless refrain:

All: Holy, holy, holy, God of love and majesty, the whole universe sings your glory, God

Most High. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of our God: hosanna in the highest!

Words of Institution & Consecration of the Elements

Sharing of the Bread & the Cup by Intinction (Bread is gluten free; the cup contains grape juice.

All are welcome to come forward to receive the sacrament. Dip the bread into the cup, eat, and return to the congregation.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

One: Let us give thanks to God in union with the faithful everywhere.

ALL: We thank you, God, for life in the Spirit of the living Christ; for gladness in this bread and cup; for love that cannot die; for peace that the world cannot give nor take away; for the glory of creation; and for the mission of justice that we can make our own. Fill us with the gifts of this sacrament: oneness of heart, love and forgiveness offered and accepted, the will to serve and the willingness to grow. In your holy name we pray: Amen.

* **Closing Hymn** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* # 23 NCH

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;

there's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.

There's no place where earthly sorrows are more felt than in God's heaven;

there's no place where earthly failings have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of our minds;

and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's word;

and our lives would show thanksgiving for the goodness of our God.

Benediction

Choral Response

Postlude

***As our worship together ends, our true service begins.
May you be blessed this week and may you be a blessing to others.***

Thank you to our Confirmands who are participating in today's worship service: Hailey Bromley, Will Chadwick, Hannah Dion, Ian Hricz, Ari Jackson, Jack Klein, Davis Michaud, Wade Michaud, Gibson Rentz-Moore, and Elizabeth Smith.

After worship, all are welcome to gather for refreshments and conversation, hosted today by our Membership Growth Initiative team.

Greeting today are Cindy Nottage, John Mince, and Hugh Tyler.

Thank you to our Sound Engineers John Moore, Grant Armstrong, Russell Mason, and Fisayo Dada for running our sound system each Sunday morning.

For information about the Community Church of Durham United Church of Christ, or if you have a question or comment to share, please speak with a greeter or with Pastor Jill Small.



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