



# 13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 30, 2020

## Gathering in Praise

Welcome Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg and Rev. Jimmy Spear  
 Prelude *Holy Manna* arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick  
 Call to Worship and Prayer Rev. Spear

### Jesus calls us:

To gather as a community of compassion and hope.

### Jesus calls us:

To care for each other tenderly and willingly.

### Jesus calls us:

To be an example so others may be led to lives of peace.

### Jesus calls us:

In our living and loving, caring and sharing, to be known as followers of Jesus.

\*Hymn # 575

*Come and Find a Quiet Center*

**Vs 1:** Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace and simply be.

**Vs 2:** Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base, making space within out thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

**Vs 3:** In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, in Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

## Proclaiming the Word

Children's Moment Rev. Spear  
 Scripture: Matthew 16:21-28 Dr. Stagg  
 Meditation *Self-Denial*  
 Special Music *The Tree of Peace* Fred Bock  
 Stewardship Moment Rev. Spear

## Response of Great Thanksgiving

Blessing of Communion Dr. Stagg and Dan Gieseke

**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 debts, as we for give our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Benediction Dr. Stagg  
 Postlude *Lead On, O King Eternal* arr. Fred Bock

## Prayers of the Congregation

Prayer is an important part of our ministry to each other and one way of sharing God's grace. This week the following requests have been made. Please lift their names to God:

**Prayers for Support, Hope, and Healing:** Billie Silvey, Millie Bolman, Tommy Tomlin, Joy Overacre, Tom Hughey

### Participants in Today's Service

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg, Senior Minister  
 Rev. Jimmy Spear, Assoc. Spear  
 Michael Sauer, Director of Music  
 Travis McFarlane, Piano  
 Dan Gieseke, Elder  
 Luke Stagg, Videographer



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