

# 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

## **Gathering in Praise**

Welcome Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg and Rev. Jimmy Spear

Prelude in Eb (St. Anne) J.S. Bach

Call to Worship and Prayer

Rev. Spear

Whether you arrived here first this morning or came in as the service was beginning, God bids you joyful welcome.

We thank you and thank God for this generous welcome.

You are precious in God's sight, a delight in God's presence.

We have come seeking the healing mercy of God.

Know that God's compassionate love is poured over you this day. **Hallelujah!** 

\*Hymn # 6

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

- **Vs 1**: Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: to God all praise and glory!
- **Vs 2**: Our God is never far away, but through all grief distressing, an ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing. As with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band; to God all praise and glory!
- **Vs 3**: Then all my gladsome way along I sing aloud your praises that all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises. Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body take your part; to God all praise and glory!

## **Proclaiming the Word**

Children's Moment Rev. Spear

Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16 Dr. Stagg

Meditation Life Isn't Fair

Music Step Into the Water L. Kirk Talley

Stewardship Moment

## **Response of Great Thanksgiving**

Invitation to Home Communion

\* Communion Hymn # 425

Rev. Spear

Dr. Stagg

Let Us Break Bread Together

Vs 1: Let us break bread together on our knees; (REPEAT)

**REFRAIN:** When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Vs 2: Let us drink wine together on our knees; (REPEAT)

#### REFRAIN

Words of Institution

Rev. Spear

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.

Blessing of Home Communion

Pat Rybolt

Benediction

Dr. Stagg

Postlude

Gelobt sei Gott

Vulpius/Haeley Willan

## **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:** Julie Anderson (sister-in-law of Debbie Potthast), Mary Bowyer, Billie Silvey, Nannie Lou Mallett, Carol and Tom Hughey, Robert Garton (father of Bryan Garton), Tracy Westhoff, Troy Gordon

### **Participants in Today's Service**

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg, Senior Minister
Rev. Jimmy Spear, Assoc. Spear
Michael Sauer, Director of Music
Travis McFarlane, Piano
Dr. Rochelle Parker, Organ
Pat Rybolt, Elder
Luke Stagg, Videographer



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