

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 13, 2024

10:00 am

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP*

We gather before God together, imperfect but present. Let us worship God together earnestly, with our whole selves.

We gather before God together, desiring deeper faith. Let us learn from God together as we seek harmony between our words and our actions.

^{*}please rise as you are able, in body or spirit. Congregational responses are printed in **bold**.

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

O God, we know the commandments, and we are sure we follow them, but instead, we cannot let go of the things we think we need or what we think is important. We do not follow you, or love you, O God, with all our hearts, our minds, our strength. We refrain from giving our whole selves to you. Forgive our disobedience, our lack of commitment, and our desire to focus on material things instead of on your will for us. We ask it in the name of Jesus, who gave his whole life for the sake of the gospel.

(silence)

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

RESPONSE TO PARDON*

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1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

2 World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

OLD TESTAMENT – Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 Marya Katz

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Adult Choir

"Make Me a Servant"

GOSPEL - Mark 7:24-37

SERMON

Linda Dickerson

"Being Disciples: Justice and Money"

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE

(from "Declaration of Barmen," 1934)

In view of the errors of the "German Christians" of the present Reich Church government which are devastating the Church and are also thereby breaking up the unity of the German Evangelical Church, we confess the following evangelical truths:

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one comes to the Father, but by me." "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ... I am the door; if anyone enters by me, he will be saved."

Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death.

We reject the false doctrine, as though the church could and would have to acknowledge as a source of its proclamation, apart from and besides this one Word of God, still other events and powers, figures and truths, as God's revelation.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/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 debts as we forgive 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.

HYMN* "O Jesus, I Have Promised" 724

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*
CHORAL RESPONSE*

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God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

FELLOWSHIP TIME
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who are lonely and need friends;
To all who mourn and need comfort;
To all who pray, and to all who do not,
but ought;
To all who sin and need a Savior.

And to whosoever comes —
The Church opens wide its doors, and says,
In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, "Welcome."