

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**11:00 a.m.**

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD  
\*Those who are able are encouraged to stand.

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**INTROIT** “O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord” Donald Moore

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

We admitted we were powerless, that our lives were unmanageable.

**God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.**

We came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

**Therefore, we will not fear though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God, as we understand God.

**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of it, it shall not be moved; God will help right early.**

We made a searching and fearless inventory of ourselves. We admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

**Come, behold the works of the Lord; how God has wrought desolations in the earth. God makes wars cease to the end of the earth; God breaks the bow and shatters the spear; God burns the chariots with fire!**

**\*HYMN #244** “Let Us with a Gladsome Mind”

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (In Unison)

**God, we confess that we have not always believed your promises to us. We have failed to realize how much you love us. We have been unable to receive your love. If we stand still for just a short time, it happens. We experience the beauty of the creation, the warmth of the sunshine, the loving presence of family and friends. God, slow us down, so that we might feel your Presence. We want to experience life and love anew. We want to participate fully in your creation. We begin again now in the silence.** (A time for silent and personal prayer...)

**\*DECLARATION OF PARDON**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579** “Gloria Patri”

**ANTHEM** “Lord, Can You Hear Us Praying?” Don Besig

**A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS . . .**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Romans 4:4-8 N.T. Pg. 154

**GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 15:11-20 N.T. Pg. 78

**SERMON** “Spiritual Recovery: Restore us to Sanity” Pastor Lindsey Carnes

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**\*HYMN Purple #418** “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostle Creed Blue Hymnal Pg. 14

**OFFERING** *Prayer Request Cards can be placed in the collection plate at this time*

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

BEARING THE WORD OUT INTO THE WORLD

**\*HYMN #477**

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Go Ye Now In Peace”

Joyce Eilers

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**Flowers on the Communion Table** In appreciation of Parents, Family, Congregation and Church given by Mark Jacobson

**Preaching:** Pastor Lindsey Carnes

**Lay Reader:** Janet Stork

**Ushers:** Team #4

**Banker:** Ken Wensel

**Sound Tech:** Doug Watters

**Coffee Hour:** Yellow Team

**Counters:** Lin Savage & Maureen Utt

**Nursery & Preschool:** 11:00am Heidi Howieson & Lindsey MacClean

**Gospel Project:** K-2nd: Deb Bard/3rd-5th: Mary Zimble & Tony Grams

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