23rd Sunday after Pentecost, November 17th 2019

11:00 a.m.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Those who are able are encouraged to stand.

PRELUDE "Everything"

Daigle, Ingram and Mabury

WELCOME

INTROIT "This is Amazing Grace"

Phil Wickham

Lamplights Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 27

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life and to behold the beauty of the LORD.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

*HYMN #411

"Arise, Your Light is Come!"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins of our youth or our transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember us, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon our guilt, for it is great. Turn to us and be gracious to us, for we are lonely and afflicted. Relieve the troubles of our hearts, and bring us out of our distress. Consider our affliction and our trouble, and forgive all our sins.

(A time for silent and personal prayer...)

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579 "Gloria Patri"

ANTHEM "Wade in the Water"

Mark Hayes

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS...

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING: Psalm 65:1-4 O.T. Pg. 527 **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:** Isaiah 61:1-2 O.T. Pg. 691

SERMON "Praying for Knowledge and Power" Pastor Isaac Chung

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #430 "Come Sing, O Church in Joy"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH —based on Belgic Confession, Art. 23

What do you believe about your forgiveness?

We believe that our blessedness lies in the forgiveness of our sins because of Jesus Christ, and that in it our righteousness before God is contained, as David and Paul teach us when they declare that person blessed to whom God grants righteousness apart from works.

How do you come by such forgiveness?

We are justified "freely" or "by grace" through redemption in Jesus Christ. And therefore we cling to this foundation, which is firm forever, giving all glory to God, humbling ourselves, and recognizing ourselves as we are; not claiming a thing for ourselves or our merits and leaning and resting on the sole obedience of Christ crucified, which is ours when we believe in him.

Does this forgiveness give you peace with God?

This is enough to cover all our sins and to make us confident, freeing the conscience from the fear, dread, and terror of God's approach, without doing what our first father, Adam, did, who trembled as he tried to cover himself with fig leaves.

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

OFFERTORY "Waiting Here for You" Tomlin, Reeves and Smith Illuminate Choir

*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 #464

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Go Ye Now in Peace"

Joyce Eilers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*POSTLUDE

Flowers on the Communion Table In loving memory of Christine Black given by Bill and Nikki Black

Serving Today:

Preaching: Pastor Isaac Chung

Lay Reader: Larry Arrol Ushers: 11am: Team #1

Acolytes: Audrey & Lindsey MacLean

Banker: Janet Stork

Coffee Hour: Violet Team

Counters: Lin Savage & Ken Wensel

Nursery & Preschool: 11am: Heidi Howieson & Waverly Ritchie

Gospel Project: K-2nd: Julie & Tony Grams

3rd-5th: Mary Zimbler

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