Bringing Forward God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

\*Doxology **# 95 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all Creatures here below;** **praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Singing Our Faith # **557** *“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”*

\*Blessing and Dismissal

\*Postlude

**Scatter to Serve God & Neighbor**

*Welcome to all! We gather to praise God for the innumerable blessings given to us and to grow deeper in the Spirit. Joyfully, let us lift our hearts to God.*

**Cards for Homebound Members**

Please take a moment to sign the cards for our homebound members that Erin has placed in the Commons.



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10:30 a.m. ~ September 10, 2023 ~ Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is ***“to be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

***Welcome! Join us in worshiping God!***

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Welcome in the name of Christ our Lord. Please register your attendance, printing your name, address, phone, and email, on the attendance pad provided on your pew. Thank you for silencing cell phones as we gather to worship God.*

Invocation

Greeting

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide

**The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide**

When other helpers fail and comforts flee

**Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me**

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day

**Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away**

Change and decay in all around I see

**O Thou who changest not, abide with me**

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless

**Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness**

Where is death's sting?

Where, grave, thy victory?

**I triumph still, if Thou abide with me** (Henry Francis Lyte, 1847)

Singing Our Faith **# 384** *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”*

Prayer for the Anniversary of 9/11 (unison)

**O God, our hope and refuge,**

**in our distress we come quickly to you.**

**Shock and horror of that tragic day have subsided,**

**replaced now with an emptiness,**

**a longing for an innocence lost.**

**We come remembering those who lost their lives**

**in New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania.**

**We are mindful of the sacrifice of public servants**

**who demonstrated the greatest love of all**

**by laying down their lives for friends.**

**We commit their souls to your eternal care**

**and celebrate their gifts to a fallen humanity.**

**We come remembering**

**and we come in hope,**

**not in ourselves, but in you.**

**As foundations we once thought secure have been shaken,**

**we are reminded of the illusion of security.**

**In commemorating this tragedy, we give you thanks for**

**your presence** **in our time of need** **and we seek to worship**

**you in Spirit and in truth,** **our guide and our guardian.**

**Amen.** (Rev. Jeremy Pridgeon, Xavier University)

Anthem *“Jesu, Jesu”*

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Scripture Lessons Matthew 18:15-20 and Luke 23:32-38

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Singing Our Faith **# 357** *“Just as I Am”* (Verses 1, 3, & 6)

The Good News ***“People”***

***\*\*Calendar \*\****

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