21st Sunday After Pentecost

October 18, 2015 ◆ 11:00 a.m. Worship

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

***Greeting in the Name of Christ**

Prelude *Jesus, Name Above All Names*
Sanctuary Choir

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We come before God as equal in God's sight.
People: God knows us thoroughly and loves us completely.
Leader: None of us is perfect and without blemish.
People: Yet God has called us God's children and asked us to be compassionate and responsible in our caring and witness.
Leader: We are called to joyful obedience in God's realm.
People: Thanks be to God who trusts us and pours God's abundant love on us. AMEN.

***Hymn #89** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Opening Prayer

Lord, everywhere we look we see the imprint of your creative love. The wondrous works of nature show your majesty. As we gather today to celebrate your love and creation, keep us mindful that we are part of that created order, meant to be stewards and not destroyers. Prepare us to work for you in ministries of peace and justice. AMEN.

Special Music *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*
Men's Ensemble

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading – Job 38:1-7
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Psalter** – Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c Hymnal, Page 826

***Gloria Patri #70**

Epistle Reading – Philippians 2:5-11
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Hymn #347** *Spirit Song*

***Gospel Reading** – Mark 10:35-45
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon – "Membership to Discipleship" Rev. Larry Thompson

RESPONSE

***Affirmation of Faith #881** – The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

The Pastor will lift up a series of petitions. After each petition:
Leader: Lord in your mercy
People: Hear our Prayer.

***The Lord's Prayer** (#895)

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.

Offering and Offertory

***Doxology #95**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn #368** *My Hope Is Built*

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

**For those who are able, please stand*