# WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

**GATHERING MUSIC** What a Friend We Have in Jesus arr. Victor Labenske

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CENTERING SILENCE The Rev. Dr. James Butler

\* INTROIT (Hymn 645, v. 1)

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation.

The God of grace, the God of love, the God of our salvation.

With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled.

To God all praise and glory!

\* OPENING RESPONSES (from Psalm 92)

The Rev. Dr. Cinda Gorman

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to you, O Most High.

We proclaim your steadfast love in the morning and your faithfulness in the night. For you, O Lord, have made us glad.

And for all your blessings we will sing for joy.

\* **HYMN 410** "God is Calling through the Whisper" W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY

# **ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Beloved in Christ: God is with us!

We are not alone!

#### CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

# UNISON CONFESSION

God of grace and blessings, we confess that we are not always faithful and true. We often seek our will more than yours. We hold grudges, resist forgiveness, and do not seek the best for our neighbors. Forgive us that we may forgive one another. Heal us that we may be people who help bring healing. Grant us peace and well-being that we may be makers of peace and seek the well-being of the world you love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

# **SUNG RESPONSE**

In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy.
Only in God my soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.

# WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON Job 38:1-18 (Pew Bible, O.T. p.484)

ANTHEM Lead Me Lord Samuel S. Wesley

Handbell Choir

Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness. Make Thy way plain before Thy face. For it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

\* GOSPEL LESSON Mark 10:35-45 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.47)

# **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

SUNG BLESSING (Hymn 542, v. 1, 2)

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.

God be with you till we meet again. May unseen wings guide and hold you. Daily grace and strength provide you. God be with you till we meet again.

**SERMON** "Be Careful What You Ask For" Dr. Butler

"James and John went to Jesus and said: 'Lord, we want you to do something for us."

# WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

\* HYMN (see insert) "Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way" ST. PETER

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

# 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 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.

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** Duo from Suite du Premier Ton Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

- \* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

  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
- \* HYMN 543 "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me" GREEN TYLER
- \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- \* **DEPARTING MUSIC**Caprice sur les grands Jeux
  L. N. Clérambault from Suite du Deuxième Ton

The people are welcome to depart or remain seated while the Departing Music is played.

#### **Our Mission**

To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship, service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

#### Staff

The Rev. Dr. James Butler, Pastor
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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

22nd Sunday After Pentecost October 20, 2024 10 a.m.