

(An Offering Collection Box is located on the table in the back of sanctuary, by the exit door)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All people: Holy Sovereign, you are our King, and we are your people. As we reach for our brothers and sisters in Christ, and our mothers and fathers in faith, use these offerings to heal our world and draw all people into your holy family. Amen.

HYMN *Lead on, O Cloud of Presence* **Blue Hymnal, #633**

BENEDICTION

Preacher: With God as our King,
Congregation: go to build God’s realm here on earth.
 Preacher: With our inner natures renewed,
Congregation: we go forth to proclaim God’s glory.
 Preacher: With your sisters and brothers in Christ
 and your mothers and fathers in faith,
 go to be Christ’s family.
**Congregation: With our hearts set free to love,
 we go to share Christ’s love with all.**

All people: Amen.

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING **Acolyte**

POSTLUDE **Mr. Kevin Crone**

References

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June 9, 2024
 Third Sunday after Pentecost

PREWORSHIP MUSIC **Mr. Kevin Crone**

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS **Mrs. Vicki Donbaugh**

CANDLELIGHTING **Acolyte**

PRELUDE

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: In this family of faith,
Congregation: we have a place where we will always belong.
 Liturgist: Here we find friends who will love us
Congregation: as children of the Most High.
 Liturgist: In this house of God,
Congregation: we worship a King who rules with equity.
 Liturgist: Here we follow One
Congregation: whose steadfast love endures forever.
 Liturgist: Whoever you are and wherever you are
 on life’s journey, you are welcome here.
All people: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

All people: Sovereign God, come to us when we lose our way. For we need you to be our King—to lead us on right paths, teach us the ways of life and death, and shelter us from our foes. We need you to be our comforter—to love us as a father, nurture us as a mother, shelter us as a brother, and assure us as a sister. Welcome us into the arms of your mercy, O God, and we will be your people, even as you are our God and King. Amen.

HYMN *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* **Blue Hymnal, #6**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Preacher: When we say, “we don’t sin,” we deny who we are. But when we say, “there’s no way out,” we deny who God is. Trusting that God’s grace is more powerful than our sin, let us confess our sins together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All people: Caring Father, in the midst of our brokenness, knit us together as your family. Loving Mother, in the midst of our woundedness, seal us in your heart as sisters and brothers. Gentle Spirit, swing wide the doors of our church, that all may find within these walls a place where your will is done, and holy relationships are nurtured. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Preacher: Christ says to us: “Here are my mother and my brothers. Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.” As the family of God, we are loved and cherished by our gracious God.

All people: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

Blue Hymnal, #35

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Liturgist: As the family of God, let us share signs of familial love as we pass the peace of Christ.

(The congregation may be seated, as the children & youth come forward)

JESUS SAID, “LET THE CHILDREN COME”

Mrs. Peg Gingerich

HYMN

Open My Eyes That I May See

Blue Hymnal, #586

HEBREW READING

1 Samuel 8:4-20; 11:14-15

EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

GOSPEL READING

Mark 3:20-35

SERMON & PRAYER

Mrs. Cathy Rentzel

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

All people: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sing a New Exultant Song (Rotermund)

OFFERING INVITATION

Liturgist: Brothers and sisters of Christ, let us rise and stand as we are able. With songs of joy and a prayer of love, let us give joyfully from our bounty, that all God’s family may find hope and strength through the blessings we share this day.

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

DOXOLOGY

Praise God

Blue Hymnal, #46