

Hearing God's Call to Become Community

Prelude: "Sanctuary" MSPW # 52

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn of Gathering:** "Rejoice, You Pure in Heart" # 15

- 1. Rejoice, you pure in heart; lift praises to the sky; your festive banner wave with joy, the cross of Christ raise high! Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.**
- 2. Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong souls and spirits meek, raise high your free, exulting song, God's wondrous praises speak. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.**
- 3. With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise, send forth the hymns of saints have loved, the psalms of ancient days. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.**
- 5. Praise God who rules all worlds; the risen Christ adore. Praise God the Spirit, Holy Fire, one God for evermore! Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice give thanks and sing.**

Seeking God's Mercy and Pardon

*Responsive Call to Worship 8:30am Dean Eslinger /10:30am Sue Raines

Psalm 111 (NRSVA)

L: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

C: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

L: Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures for ever.

C: He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

L: He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

C: He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

L: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

C: They are established for ever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

L: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for ever. Holy and awesome is his name.

ALL: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures for ever.

Proclaiming and Hearing the Word

Children's Message Justin & Abigail
Text 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c (NRSVA)
Message "Great Expectations" Rev. Schwartz

Time for Giving

Call for Our Offerings 8:30am Dean Eslinger /10:30am Roy McLellan
Doxology: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" # 46
*Prayer of Dedication

Receiving the Visible and Tangible Signs of God's Grace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Congregational/Pastoral Prayer
Communion Meditation and Invitation 8:30am Rev. Schwartz /10:30am Roy McLellan

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

Communion Music: "Are You Washed in the Blood?" SHR # 40

Departing to Serve Where God Leads

Closing Hymn: "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" # 589

- 1. Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart. In-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.**
- 2. Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart. In-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart.**
- 3. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart. In-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart.**

*Benediction Rev. Schwartz
Postlude: "God Is Good All the Time" MSPW # 45

October 09, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgical Color: Green

2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c (NRSVA)

¹Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ²Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.'

⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.'

⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' ⁹So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' ¹¹But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' ¹⁴So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

¹⁵Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel;

L: These are Words from the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

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Welcome! May your Journey of Faith be encouraged while you seek God here today.