Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. July 21, 2024

Entering God's Presence

Welcome, Life in the Community, and Ritual of Friendship

*Hymn 450

Be Thou My Vision

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*Expressing Our Joy

Leader: Who are you?

People: I am a child of God.

Leader: Who are we?

People: We are children of God, the family of faith. Leader: What does it mean to be children of God?

People: We belong to God who loves us and calls us God's own.

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sin and ask your forgiveness. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness

*Hymn 772 *Live into Hope* TRURO

Proverbs 22:1-9 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 570 in the pew Bible.]

Musical Meditation

My Lord, What a Morning!

Spiritual

Philippians 2:1-5 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 186 in the pew Bible.]

Sermon

Focusing on Others

Ray Dickinson

*The Apostle's Creed (Traditional Version, Page 35) and Gloria Patri (No. 581)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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*At the Presentation

Doxology (No. 606)

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*Prayer of Dedication, concluding with *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.

*Hymn 727

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

THE SERVANT SONG

^{*}Benediction

^{*}Choral Benediction

^{*}Going Out into the World

^{*}Those that are able, please stand.