

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 19, 2021

Eleven O'clock

Please allow the Choir to sing our hymns for us, to help limit the spread of disease.

WELCOME INTO GOD'S HOUSE (responsive)

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me . . .
Congregation: **Let us go into the house of the Lord!**
Leader: We come into this house to meet the Lord, for it is God who redeems, restores, revives, and returns. Let us rejoice and sing, as God fills our hearts with gladness!
Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE "Andante" from Piano Sonata in C major, K 330 Mozart

CHORAL INTROIT "Praise to the Trinity" Frances Schum Hess

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 8
O Lord, our Lord,
how exalted is your name in all the world!
Out of the mouths of infants and children
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
O Lord, our Lord,
how exalted is your name in all the world!

HYMN 263 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

PRAYER OF THE DAY (in unison)

Almighty God, you created the heavens and the earth, and all people in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM "Lord of the Small" Dan Forrest

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

A READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 1
Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on his law day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.
It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away. Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS Mark 9: 30-37
Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.
Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: Praise be to you, O Christ.

HYMN 730 "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

SERMON *Full of Themselves*

*APOSTLES' CREED

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.

OFFERTORY "Ich ruf zu dir" Bach

Offerings for God's work through Paw Creek Church are gratefully received in the baskets by the entrance and exits to the sanctuary, or by mail to the church office.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Leader: Blessed are you, God of all creation.
Congregation: **Through your goodness we have good gifts to share.**
Leader: Accept and use our offerings for your glory.
Congregation: **And for the service of your kingdom.**
All: **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Beginning with Joys and Concerns, and concluding with *The Lord's Prayer, in unison*

HYMN 22 "God of the Sparrow"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Sortie in F" from L'Organiste" Franck

UPCOMING SERMON TITLE & SCRIPTURES
Sunday, September 26
18th Sunday after Pentecost
Mark 9:38-41
"Humble Service"