

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 27, 2017

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (hymn 43)

Rock of Ages (hymn 342)

Here I Am, Lord (hymn 589)

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist

Alice Jordan

David Hegarty

John Carter

GREETING

Peace be with you.

And also with you

PRELUDE

Baptized in Water

Lloyd Larsen

The prelude refers to Mark 1:9-11, and to our middle hymn, no. 465.

It recounts the baptism of Jesus, and the Holy Spirit descending as a dove, which is portrayed in the mosaic cross above the chancel.

CALL TO WORSHIP ~ adapted from Psalm 85

Leader: God of Gods, the insolent are unbounded,
the violent seek to carry away all beauty.
You who are slow to anger and full of mercy,
you who abound in steadfast love and trust,
save us. Redeem your creation.
Show favor so the shameless will be cast aside.

**People: All nations shall glorify your name.
For you do the impossible; you break the power of sin.
Teach us your ways so we may walk in truth.
Give us a heart unfettered from fear;
So we may keep your steadfast love.
Deliver us from all darkness; shine your light.**



THIS WEEK

August 28 Jody Foland
August 29 Nikki Piiparinen
August 30 David T. Knowlton
August 30 Jeffrey Barnard



Arlene Wilson, Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, and for the sick and those who need God's comfort.

Prayer Help Available. Please call the church office at 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

MY TAKE AWAY THOUGHTS AND NOTES

***HYMN (see insert)**

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

FESTAL SONG

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, giver of life and forgiver of sin, we come to you now with hope - hope that you will always love us, hope that you will not hold our sin against us, hope that you will turn us around from what is evil, toward what is good. Help us to look clearly at our lives and the world, that we may embrace all with love. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS

In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ, you also are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI - Hymnal #813**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

LITURGIST WELCOME

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Thessalonians 1:1-10 (New Testament, page 203 in pew Bibles)

DUET

Hallelujah

Leonard Cohen

Jahna Mott and Emma Tompkins; Sara Gleason, piano

CHILDREN'S TIME

Casey Carbone

(Sunday School will not meet during July and August, but will resume on September 10th.)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:9-11 (New Testament, pages 34-35 in pew Bibles)

SERMON

“Words From on High”

Rev. Dr. Fred Garry

***HYMN #465**

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

Lyric Psalm

George Blake

Carl Bingle, organ

***DOXOLOGY ~ HYMNAL #815**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

SENDING

***HYMN #342**

Rock of Ages

TOPLADY

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

THE POSTLUDE

Allegro Maestoso/The Power of Jesus' Name

Handel, Ellor, arr. Caudill