

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In this place where Your Name, O God, is above every name, where Your truth is sought and Your faith cherished, grant Your blessing upon all who worship You in sincerity and truth. Here may the weary find rest; the lonely, friendship; the saddened, comfort; the fearful, courage; the discouraged, hope; the weak, strength; the strong, discipline; and all of us the reassurance of Your forgiving and empowering mercy, and the desire and opportunity to invest our lives for the good of all people and the glory of God.

Welcome and Announcements

PRELUDE

“What Wondrous Love Is This” WONDROUS LOVE
Arr. Charles Callahan

The Westminster Chimes and the Trinity Chime

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?
People: Shall I come with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?
Leader: God shows you what is good; and what does the Lord require of you?
People: To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.
Leader: Let us worship God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#32 “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” ELLACOMBE

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. 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. Have

mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

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.

BAPTISM OF Hope Vivian Nee

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

THE MORNING PRAYER
THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name, thy Kingdom come, they 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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Micah 6: 1-8
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Matthew 5: 1-12

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“Is There Hope for the Church?”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE 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.

SERVICE OF GIVING

Offertory

Anthem “Holy Ground” Geron Davis
Arr. Lloyd Larson

*Doxology

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 Dedication

*HYMN

#366 “Love Diving, All Loves Excelling” HYFRYDOL

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“May the Road Rise to Meet You” Lee Turner

May the road rise to meet you, may the wind blow at your back, may the sun shine warmly on your face; May the rain fall softly on your field; And until we meet again, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

“Cathedral Fanfare” Gordon Young

*All who are able may stand.