#### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 9, 2022 9:30 a.m.

"Relationship is at the very heart of God's gifts of covenant and commandments."

# WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

**PRELUDE** 

Bobbi Hunter

O God, Thou Faithful God...Flor Peeters (Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. George Swanson

\* HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 262

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lou Pennebaker

Loving God, we confess that often we neglect our relationship with You. We become preoccupied with keeping Your commandments, and we forget that You have given us the commandments as a guide to living in a healthy and whole relationship with You and with those around us. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to remember Your loving bond with us. Hear us now as we silently confess our sins.

# ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

\* GLORIA PATRI

No. 579

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

## \* Those who wish may stand.

#### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**ANTHEM** 

Chancel Choir

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light...Kathleen Thomerson Richard Dinwiddie, director; Mollie Wakeman, accompanist (CCLI #20405356)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 19:1-11 pg. 116

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Rev. Anne Swanson

"A Solemn Bond"

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE

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Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMN

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Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

\* BENEDICTION

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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Go Now in Peace ... Don Besig

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Variations on St. Anne... David Johnson

Those who wish may stand.