

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

♪ Organ Prelude · Bobbi Hunter

Holy God, We Praise Your Name... Michael Burkhardt

Call to Worship (responsively) · Lou Pennebaker

Leader: We come, bringing our souls to God.

People: God delights in us,
just as God has found wonder in every generation.

Leader: We come, bringing our hands to Jesus.

People: Jesus challenges us to see each person
as the neighbor we are to serve.

Leader: We come, bringing our hearts to the Spirit.

People: The Spirit teaches all we need to know
so that we may be faithful in our lives.

* ♪ Hymn of Praise

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

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Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, called to walk with the vulnerable, we run to catch up with the powerful. Asked to pray constantly for others, we are too busy bragging about ourselves. Challenged to notice and to care for those tossed aside by the world, we rush by with our to-do list in our hands.

Have mercy on us, God who loves us completely. May we be the grace that a lonely person needs this week; may we be the hope the forgotten are looking for; may we be the peace that the broken long for in every moment, even as Jesus, our Lord and Savior, has been our peace, our hope, our grace, and so much more in our lives. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* Those who wish may stand.

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* ♪ Gloria Patri

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* Passing of The Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Greetings and Announcements

Minute for Mission · Jane Kraut

Peace and Global Witness Offering

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading · Bob Kraut

Luke 16:19-31 (pg. 1626)

♪ Anthem · Chancel Choir

Christ Be with Me... Michael S. Bryson

Richard Dinwiddie, director; Mollie Wakeman, accompanist
(CCLI #20405356)

The Word Interpreted · Art Walton, Ben Ball

The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus Litany

Congregational Response:

I am rich! You are poor!

I am healthy! You are sore!

I have good things, you have bad!

I am happy, you are sad!

Ministry of the Word · The Rev. Renée Rico

"Mysteries of Scattered Seeds"

Short Stories by Jesus, Part 5

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

A Contemporary Reading · Art Walton

"Psalm of a Beggar at God's Door" Edward Hays

* **♪ Hymn of Response** · O Day of Peace

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Acknowledgment and Blessing of Offerings

Prayers of The People and the Lord's Prayer

* **♪ Closing Hymn** · Christ of the Upward Way

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* **Benediction**

* **♪ Congregational Response** · Go Now in Peace

♪ Organ Postlude · Bobbi Hunter

Lift High the Cross... John Leavitt