

WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

♪ **Organ Prelude** · Toni DiCapua

*This is my Father's World ...* Franklin L. Sheppard

**Call to Worship** (responsively) · Lou Pennebaker

Leader: Come and see the ambassador of God's friendship for us.

**People: We will find Jesus waiting to meet us:  
in classrooms, at a shopping center,  
in all the common places and moments.**

Leader: Come and hear the One who speaks of God's joy in us.

**People: We will listen to Jesus, whose words of grace and  
peace raise the rafters of our hope.**

Leader: Come and share how much God loves you.

**People: We will help others discover Jesus, who offers us the  
gift of reconciliation.**

\* ♪ **Hymn of Praise** · This is my Father's World  
No. 293

**Prayer of Confession (in unison)**

**God of eternity, you know how often we travel down the  
rocky roads of doubt and fear. We pester others with our  
worries; we hurl bitter words at those we love. We have  
chances to offer ourselves in service, but only give our  
contempt to those in need. We could share the living waters  
with the world, but want to store it in jars for safekeeping.**

**Fountain of Grace, you turn towards us, to meet us wherever  
we are. You break open our rock-hard sin, so we might  
be made whole. In Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, our thirst  
for hope and joy is quenched. Amen.**

\* Those who wish may stand.

**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.**

**Greetings and Announcements**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**Scripture Reading** · Tunde Olagbaju

Psalm 96 (pg 934)

♪ **Anthem** · Chancel Choir

*Longing for God...* Don Wyrzten

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

**Scripture Reading**

John 4:5-42 (pg. 1651)

**Ministry of the Word** · The Rev. Renée Rico

**"Sharing Our Stories:**


*Seven Marks of Vital Church Communities: Part 2, Authentic Intentional  
Evangelism*

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# TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST


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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

- \*  **Hymn of Response** · Go, Tell It on the Mountain  
No. 29


**Acknowledgment and Blessing of Offerings**

**Prayers of The People and the Lord's Prayer**

- \*  **Closing Hymn** · Christ is Alive!  
No. 108

- \* **Benediction**

- \*  **Congregational Response** · Go Now in Peace

 **Organ Postlude** · Toni DiCapua  
*Fanfare in D ...* Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens