

# 8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

♪ **Prelude** · Toni DiCapua

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

Leader: We praise you, Lord! We give thanks to you with our whole heart.

**People: Great are your works, full of honor and majesty and studied by all who delight in them.**

Leader: The works of your hands are faithful and just.

**People: Your precepts are trustworthy.**

Leader: Our reverence for you is the beginning of wisdom.

**People: You are to be praised forever.**

\* ♪ **Hymn of Praise** · *Blessing and Honor*

No. 147

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

**Holy God, we confess that we do not trust you fully. We put our hope in worldly gain and in human promises, and find ourselves defeated and lost when things fall apart.**

**You have given us a love more fully than anything we could experience in this world but we do not seek it, we do not hold on to it, and we look to our own means of assurance and security. Forgive us. Call us back to you that we may put our trust in you and not be afraid.**

**May we hear the words, may we rise up, and not be afraid. In the name of Jesus, who loves us and offers us forgiveness, we pray. Amen.**

*(silent reflection)*

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## 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 · Ben Ball

Genesis 12:1-4a, Genesis 21:1-7 (pg. 17)

 **Solo** · Leland Morine

*And This is Love* ... Ken Medema

Mollie Wakeman, piano

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#### Scripture Reading

Hebrews 11:8-12 (pg. 1874)

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

**"Abraham, Sarah and Isaac: Becoming a Blessing"**

*1st in the Series "Character Matters"*

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

- \* 🎵 **Hymn of Response** · *The God of Abraham Praise*  
No. 488

**Acknowledgment and Blessing of Offerings**

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

- \* 🎵 **Closing Hymn** · *Blessed Assurance*  
No. 341

- \* **Benediction**

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

🎵 **Postlude** · Toni DiCapua

