Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

Sunday, July 14, 2024

from Psalm 139

GATHERING

Prelude: "Steal Away" Roberta Rowland Raybold

Greeting and Welcome to Worship

Call to Worship (responsive)

One: O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

All: You discern my thoughts from far away.

One: Where can I go from your spirit?

Or where can I flee from your presence?

All: If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

One: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and night wraps itself around me," even the darkness is not dark to you.

All: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.

See if there is any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Hymn: #436 "God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us" O Quanta Qualia

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Everlasting God, we believe in your Son, Jesus Christ; help us with our unbelief, for often our faith grows weak. Then our fears and resentments overwhelm us, and we grow timid or else bitter inside. Deliver us from foolish pride in race or clan, and rescue us from the weak and perverse need to feel superior to others and to dominate them. Teach us to be truer followers of Jesus, who walk in his way, trusting you enough to lose our

desire to judge and control other people. Be our true God, so our egos will no longer be our false gods. Free us from belligerence and the shame that feeds it. Teach us to trust you, so in time we may learn to love you. In Jesus' name, amen.

AFFIRMATION OF OUR HOPE IN GOD'S REDEMPTIVE LOVE

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture: Exodus 2:23-25

Mark 1:9-11, 14-15,40-45

*Hymn: #435 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

In Babilone

Sermon: "Says Who?"

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

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RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Prayer of Dedication

MORNING PRAYERS

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns Time of Silent Prayer *Hymn: #643 "Now Thank We All Our God"

Nun Danket Alle Gott

Charge and Benediction

Postlude:

"Postlude for Full Organ"

S. H. Stark

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who are able, please stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

Prayers of the Congregation

Prayer Family this week: Ian, Katherine Boas & Louise Lichty

Announcements

Our **Community Meal** this month will take place on **Thursday, July 25** from 5:30-6:30 in the Smith Fellowship Hall. The menu will be Sub Rolls filled with Chicken Salad or Ham Salad, Chips, Pickles, Olives, Baked Beans, Applesauce and Desserts from Weis Markets in Gap. The sign-up sheets for cooking, serving, and cleaning up as well as food donations are in the narthex. This meal is open to anyone in the community who needs a meal for any reason. Please join us!

FOR IMMEDIATE PASTORAL NEEDS, Jim will be in Portland and Seattle July 8 - 19. Contact Dianne to reach Rev. Dick Sindall, Rev. Charlie Gross or Rev. Jane Deford for assistance.

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