

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hymn 765

“Song of Hope”

May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace;  
singing, share our joy with all;  
working for a world that’s new,  
faithful when we hear Christ’s call.

\*THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

(please greet those sitting around you, especially  
taking time to welcome those who are visiting)

\*POSTLUDE

### Today’s Anthem

The anthem this morning was written for the celebration and rededication of our sanctuary. It explores why it is important to have this impressive space for our worship. It also explores the importance of artistry and creativity, which can be seen in the architecture, the stained glass windows, and in the arts that enhance our worship.

### You Are Invited

for coffee, fellowship and a special celebration in  
Westminster Hall (downstairs) after the Worship Service.

### Visiting?

Come to the red table at the front corner of the  
Sanctuary after worship so we may greet you.  
We’re glad you’re here!

**JULY 15, 2018**  
**15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**10:00 AM WORSHIP**

*(Where you see an asterisk (\*), please stand if you are able)*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE Three Settings of “Now Thank We All Our God”  
By Manz, Frackenpohl, and Ferguson

WORDS OF WELCOME Michael Ozaki

INTROIT “The Lord Is God”  
Hymn No. 63, Verse 1

**The Lord is God, the Lord alone!**  
**Give honor, thanks, and praise**  
**to God, the maker of all things**  
**and giver of our days.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 66:1,2,4) Dean Lindsey

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

**People: Sing the glory of God’s name;**

Leader: give to the Lord glorious praise!

**People: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds”**

\*HYMN No. 402 “How Lovely, Lord”

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Deannine Shipman

**We have entered your sanctuary, O God, where  
there are memories of saints, and we join them in  
praise of you. There are messages of hope which  
we hope to learn. There is light streaming in  
among us that we hope to share. Enter now our  
hearts so that sin may be erased by grace, arro-  
gance overcome by humility and anxious striving  
replaced by peace. As we are your people together  
in this place, may we be transformed by your mer-  
cy and sent forth with courage by your grace,  
through Christ. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Beth Farmer

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 9:1-19 Page 893

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN Deannine Shipman

SONG AFTER CHILDREN'S TIME Hymn 487, verse 2  
"These Treasured Children"

**Our ancient story we shall tell,  
till these our children know it well  
within their souls and minds and hearts,  
for this is where their journey starts.**

SERMON "Something Like Scales Fell Off" Michael Ozaki

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*HYMN NO. 649 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed  
(front of hymnal page 35)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO OFFERING  
Offertory -Michael Burkhardt  
"How Firm a Foundation"

\*Doxology Hymn 606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

REDEDICATION OF THE SANCTUARY

### RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!  
My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of  
the LORD;

**People: My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the  
living God.**

Leader: The sparrow has found herself a home, and the  
swallow a nest where she may lay her young,  
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my  
Sovereign and my God.

**People: Happy are they who dwell in your house  
forever singing your praise.**

Leader: For one day in your courts is better than a  
thousand elsewhere, and to stand at the  
threshold of the house of my God than to  
dwell in the tents of the wicked.

**People: For the LORD God is both sun and shield;  
the LORD will give grace and glory;**

Leader: No good thing does the Lord withhold from his  
people.

**People: Happy are they who put their trust in you,  
O Lord of Hosts!**

PRAYER

ANTHEM "Beautiful" - Ned Wetherald  
Open Choir

WORDS OF THANKS

REVIEW OF THE SANCTUARY PLAN Don Hartzell

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN NO. 301 "Let Us Build a House"

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