

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

(9:00) "O Lord, Hear Our Prayer" Stephen F. Key  
(11:15) "O Savior, in This Quiet Place"  
Hymn 94, vs. 1  
To the tune "Amazing Grace"

**O Savior, in this quiet place, where anyone may kneel,  
We also come to ask for grace, believing you can heal.**

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us  
our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN No. 543 "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

(9:00) "Be With Us All, Lord" -Uzee Brown, Jr.  
(11:15) "Song of Hope" Hymn 765

**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.**

\*(9:00 ONLY) THE PEACE

Leader: "A harvest of righteousness is sown in  
peace for those who make peace." (James 3:18)

**People: Let us make peace, by sharing the  
peace of Christ with one another.**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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

**SEPTEMBER 23, 2018  
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
9:00 AM AND 11:15 AM WORSHIP**

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

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Sanctuary" Gwyneth Walker

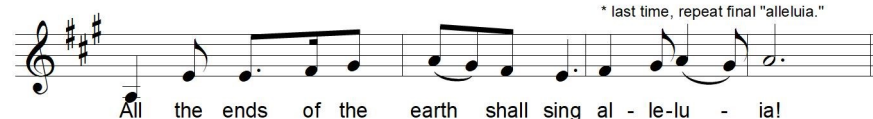
WORDS OF WELCOME Allison Maus

INTROIT

All the Ends of the Earth Shall Sing

*The refrain will be introduced by the piano, then the choir/cantor. The congregation is invited  
to join in singing the refrain as invited by the cantor*

Janet Vogt



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\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 85:8-9)

(9:00) Deannine Shipman (11:15) Dean Lindsey

Leader: Let me hear what God the Lord will say,

**People: For he will speak peace to his people.**

Leader: Surely his salvation is at hand for those who  
fear him,

**People: That his glory may dwell among us.**

\*HYMN No. 402 "How Lovely, Lord"

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION \*by Carolyn and Bruce Gilette

**O God, we want to have our cake and eat it, too:  
We want to be a friend of the world and still be  
your friend.**

**Yet, Jesus taught us: “No one can serve two masters.”  
Give us strength and courage to get our priorities  
straight: help us to seek your kingdom first.  
Help us to live faithfully and joyfully in the world,  
and to be friends with the people you call us to serve.  
Help us also to remember that our best relationship is  
the one we have with you. We pray in the name of  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Leader:** “The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and willing to yield.”

**People:** **Such wisdom is “full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.” (James 3:17).**

**Leader:** In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, and we are given a new way to live.

**People:** **Let us accept God’s grace, and live new lives of faith, obedience, and joy.**

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**People:** **And also with you.**

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**HEARING THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (9:00) Ken Bachman

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:** Mark 9:30-37 Page 821

**Leader:** This is the word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

(9:00) “Peace Prayer” -John Foley  
Chancel Choir

(11:15) “Give Me Jesus” -Moses Hogan  
Erin McDaniels

(9:00) **ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN** Deannine Shipman  
See “Children in Worship”

(9:00) **PRESENTATION OF SECOND GRADE BIBLES** (see insert)

**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.**

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:** James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Page 982

**SERMON** “Wisdom from Above” Dean Lindsey

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN NO. 753** “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from “A Brief Statement of Faith”  
(front of red hymnal, page 37, paragraph 2)

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**Offertory** “Chant de Paix” -Jean Langlais  
**\*Doxology** Hymn 609

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”  
To the tune “Lasst Uns Erfreuen”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**