

## An Open and Affirming Congregation

September 13, 2020

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO KEEPS US TOGETHER WHILE WE ARE APART

Prelude: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Welcome

Call to Worship (Responsively):

There may be no one there with you just now, but tell it out aloud:

I believe in the living God!

And what will you do about it?

I will praise the Lord with heart and soul and mind and strength.

And where will it lead you?

Wherever it leads in God's choosing, I will serve the Lord.

Opening Prayer (Unison):

Eternal Lord our God, we serve you now with joy in our hearts for you are most wonderfully true and good and kind. Our hearts delight to be in your presence. Help us to delight equally in your service, offering up our lives in joyful discipleship. With your blessing, may we be, beginning today, channels through which your love flows to those nearest us and broadly into the world. Amen.

Hymn: Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Holy God, you seek to save all people from aimlessness and sin, and you judge people and nations according to your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. We know we stand under your judgment now. We know our nation stands under your judgment now. Our only hope is in you. Deal mercifully with us. Do not deal with us as we say you should deal with us. Deal with us as you see fit. We submit to your judgment. For in you and in you alone is our healing and our peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

"Better Together" Living as Servants

Karen Williams, Stewardship Speaker

Pastoral Prayer and 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, for ever. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Habakkuk 2:1-5 Cindy Remus, reader

Sermon: Signs God Wants Carried at the Protest

Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. Hab. 2:2

Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Benediction

Postlude: Speak Lord in the Stillness with Lord, Speak to Me

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