Worship

Sunday
November 18, 2018

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

PRELUDE *Savior, Like a Shepherd* Arr. S. Eithun
Central Handbell Choir

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, let us celebrate the wondrous gifts that God has given us.
Throughout all our lives, God has blessed us with love and hope.
Praise be to God who provides for us.
May our hearts be truly grateful, and may we show our gratitude by the ways in which we live and care for others.
Hallelujah!
AMEN.

* **HYMN NO. 131** *We Gather Together*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we gather today rich in blessing, somehow believing that we merit the wealth and comforts that we enjoy. Forgive us, our God, for comfortably closing our eyes to the faces of the poor that stare blankly in our direction.
Lord, have mercy on us.
With bellies full of grain and meat, we offer token gestures to the hungry in our world and we feel we have done enough. Forgive us, God, for keeping a distance between "us" and "them," for closing our ears to the cries of the hungry.
Christ, have mercy on us.
With hands tightly clasping our treasures on earth, we cannot reach out to our oppressed brothers and sisters around this world. Forgive us for clinging to our own possessions rather than to you. Unite us with hearts of thanksgiving that we may work to insure freedom and justice for all.
Lord, have mercy on us.

Silent Prayers may be offered.

ANTHEM *Sing to the Lord* *Carl Strommen*

Sing to the Lord a joyful song, come to the Lord with songs of praise.
Come let us sing, give thanks to the day, rejoice with a song of praise.
I got good news, come on, hear a song of praise.
Sing it clear and sing it strong.
Come on brother, come on sister, hear the news!

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Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER *Thank you, Lord* Spiritual

MORNING PRAYER

LORDS 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SERMON **"Thankstherapy"** **Rev. Danny Leonard**
Psalm 100
Reflection

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 881**
***THE GLORIA PATRI NO. 71**

INVITATION TO PRESENT GIFTS
***HYMN NO. 92** *For the Beauty of the Earth*
***DOXOLOGY NO. 95**
***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

* **HYMN NO. 102** *Now Thank We All Our God*

* **BENEDICTION**

* **CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

POSTLUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* *J.S. Bach*

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*
Items in bold indicate congregational response.