Bringing Forward God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

\*Doxology **# 95 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all Creatures here below;** **praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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 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.**

\*Singing Our Faith # **175** *“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”*

\*Blessing and Dismissal

\*Postlude

**Scatter to Serve God & Neighbor**

*Welcome to all! We gather to praise God for the innumerable blessings given to us and to grow deeper in the Spirit. Joyfully, let us lift our hearts to God.*



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10:30 a.m. ~ September 24, 2023 ~ Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is ***“to be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

***Welcome! Join us in worshiping God!***

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Welcome in the name of Christ our Lord. Please register your attendance, printing your name, address, phone, and email, on the attendance pad provided on your pew. Thank you for silencing cell phones as we gather to worship God.*

Invocation

Greeting

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy,

**like the wideness of the sea.**

There’s a kindness in God’s justice,

**which is more than liberty.**

There is welcome for the sinner,

**and more graces for the good.**

There is mercy with the Savior,

**there is healing in his blood.**

But we make God’s love too narrow

**by false limits of our own,**

and we magnify its strictness

**with a zeal God will not own.**

For the love of God is broader

**than the measures of the mind,**

and the heart of the Eternal

**is most wonderfully kind.**

If our love were but more simple,

**we should rest upon God’s word,**

and our lives would be illumined

**by the presence of our Lord.** *(Fredrick William Faber, 1862)*

\*Singing Our Faith **# 145** *“Morning Has Broken”*

\*Opening Prayer

**Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Anthem *“God Will Take Care of You”*

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Scripture Lesson Matthew 20:1-16

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 174** *“His Name Is Wonderful”*

The Good News ***“Fair or Something Like It”***

\*The Apostles’ Creed (Please Stand)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;\*  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\*\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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