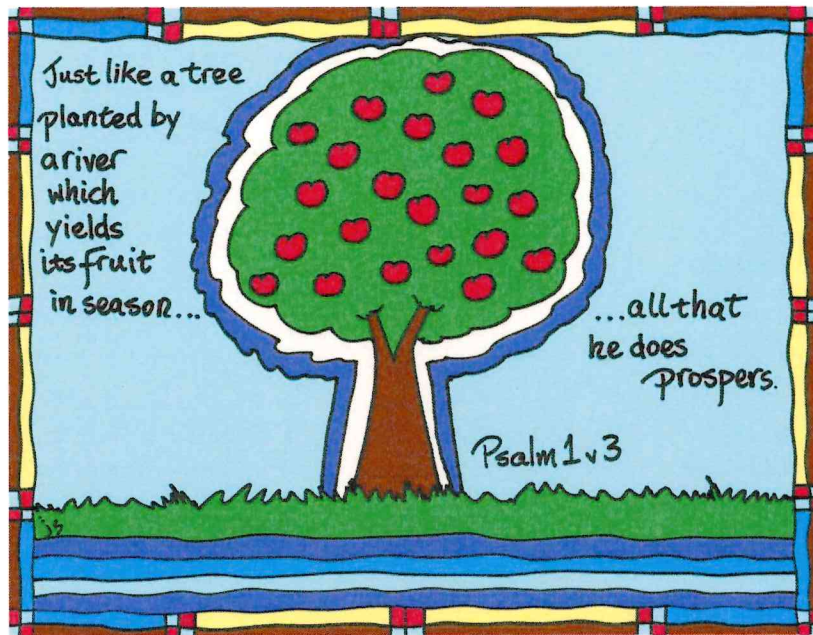




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Sunday, September 22, 2024
10:00AM
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Meditation on 'Berglund'

David Lasky

Welcome to all – especially to our guests.

Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Pad, located in each of the pews.

Hymns labeled GTG are in the Glory to God Hymnal (purple)

Hymns labeled AAHH are in the African American Heritage Hymnal (beige)

**Please stand as you are able*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the peace from above and for the healing of all souls, gathered here and everywhere, **let us pray to the Lord.**

For the peace of the whole world, **let us pray to the Lord.**

For the unity of all Christians and peoples everywhere, **let us pray to the Lord.**

For the coming of His Kingdom and the downfall of injustice and the lifting up of the poor and downtrodden, **let us pray to the Lord.**

For this holy house and for those who enter it with faith, awe, and the love of God, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Lord, our God, your dominion is incomparable, and your glory is beyond understanding. Your mercy is not measurable and your love for us and all humankind is beyond explanation. Look on us and upon this holy house this morning in your everlasting love and grant to us and to those who worship with us your abundant compassion and peace. Again and again, in peace, **let us pray to the Lord. Amen**

Gospel Praise

**Completely Yes
Gospel Choir**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us and on the whole world. You offer us peace, but we choose war. You offer us love but we choose anger and hatred. You offer us salvation and refuge but we choose materialism and worldly power. Lord, our brokenness has clouded our vision. We take darkness for light and night for day. You can make us whole. You will make us whole. Lord, we thank you for your everlasting forgiveness. Through the power of your cross and resurrection teach us to choose healing over brokenness and life over death. Amen.

Declaration of God's Forgiveness

Passing of the Peace/A Time for Celebration

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you!

(Exchange signs of Christ's peace and forgiveness with others. We greet one another as neighbors in Christ. You may say "Peace be with you," or respond, "And also with you.")

***Response**

**They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Psalm 1

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Anthem of Peace
Chancel Choir

arr. Mack Wilberg

Second Reading

James 3: 13-18

Message

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

***Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed)**

**We believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,**

**begotten, not made;
of the same essence as the Father.
Through whom all things were made.**

**Who for us and for our salvation,
he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.**

**He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.**

**The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again with glory
to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.
And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
He spoke through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and for life in the world to come. Amen.

***Hymn GTG #370**

This is My Father's World

Call to Offering

*If you would like to make an offering online, scan the QR code located in the
Westminster News section of today's bulletin.*

Invitation to Offering

Organ Offertory

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

arr. Wayne Wold

***Doxology GTG #606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
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 Dedication

Welcoming New Members

Jim and Trudy McCreadie

Prayers of the People

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.

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn AAHH #563**

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me
(vv. 1, 2, 1)

Benediction

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in C

Tommaso Alkbinoni

The organ postlude is offered as an instrumental prayer. You are invited to remain seated; if you wish to depart, please do so quietly, remembering those who are still worshipping.

Worship Leaders:

The Rev. Dakota Whitaker, Pastor/Head of Staff
Dalos Grobe, Chancel Choir Director/Organist
Victor Boyd, Gospel Choir Director
David Johnson, Liturgist

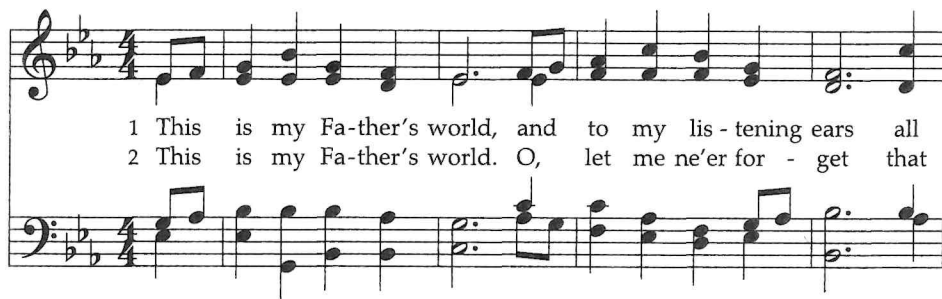
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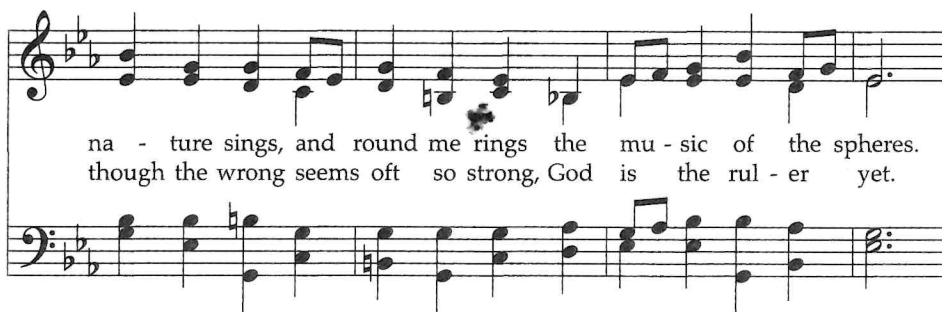
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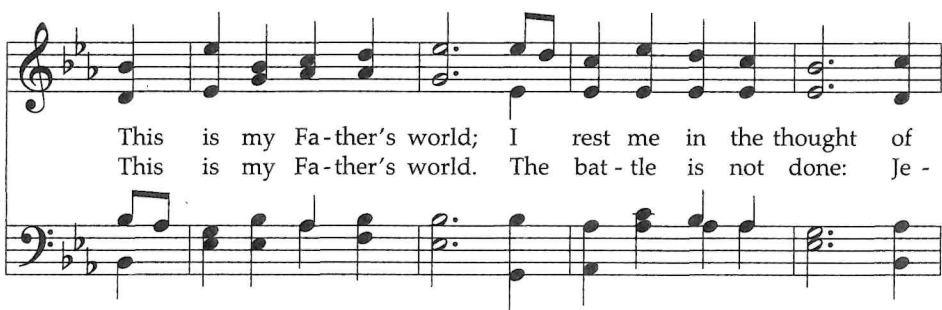
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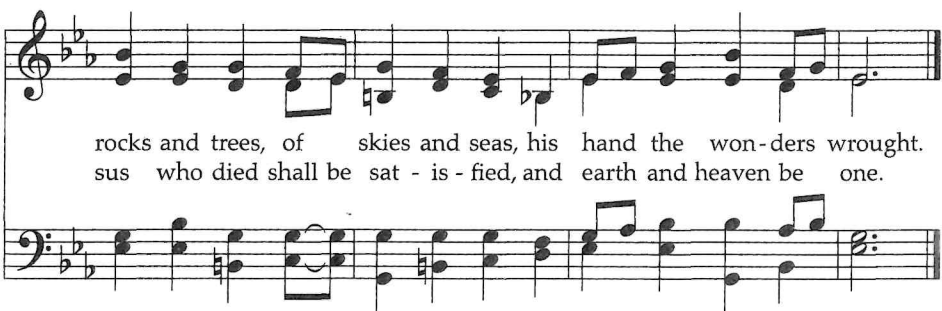
1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-tening ears all
 2 This is my Fa-ther's world. O, let me ne'er for - get that



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa-ther's world. The bat - tle is not done: Je -



rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the won-ders wrought.
 sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heaven be one.

563 I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME

Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light..."
John 12:35

1. I want Je - sus to walk with me,
 2. In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me,

I want Je - sus to walk with me,
 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me,

All a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
 When the shades of life are fall - ing,

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
 Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.