Order of Worship the Second Sunday After Pentecost June 11, 2023

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor Diane Dawson Dexter, Organist John Klimczak, Trumpeter

Prelude	"Let There Be Peace on Earth"		
	Sy Miller and Jill Jackson		

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Rosanna Anderson

(from Psalm 33)

Call to Worship

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright. **Praise the Lord and make melody to God with instruments.** Sing to the Lord a new song; play skillfully and give loud shouts. **For the word of the Lord is upright, and all God's work is done in faithfulness.**

God loves righteousness and justice.

The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Prayer of the Day*

Almighty God, you alone can bring order to our unruly wills and affections. Give us grace to love what you command and to desire what you promise, so that in all the changes and chances of this uncertain world our hearts may be surely fixed where true joy is to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

Hymn 126 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Prayer of Confession*

God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with our whole heart, soul, mind,

and strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We stray from your way and follow other gods. Have mercy on us. Forgive us and raise us to new life in your Spirit, so that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament	Exodus 34:1-10	Will Fiske
New Testament	Matthew 9:9-13	
Sermon	"Mercy, Not Sacrifice"	Dr. Anderson

Affirmation of Faith

Adapted from The Confession of 1967, 9.07

Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the people of the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity, and the world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

Gathering the Collection

Offertory "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" John B. Dykes
Doxology 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^

God, you are the source of gracious love. Thank you for always listening to our prayers and responding according to your will. Accept our gifts as a sign of our thankfulness. By the power of your indwelling Spirit, help us to show your mercy to the people you place in our life. We ask through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns for Congregational Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

Hymn 577 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Benediction

Postlude "Shalom to You"

Spanish Melody

* Prayers by from the *Book of Common Worship* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 1993)

^ Prayer of Dedication by the Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson

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