

Order of Worship
the Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 18, 2023

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

Prelude "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"
Sebastian Temple

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Call to Worship Psalm 110

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, who made us, is God.

We belong to God, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Give thanks and bless God's name!

For the Lord is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever, his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of the Day*

Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ, now exalted as Lord of all, pours out his gifts on everyone in the church. Grant us that unity which your Spirit gives, keep us in peace, and bring soon the great day when all creation will worship before your throne, for you live and reign with the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

Hymn 144 "This Is My Father's World"

Prayer of Confession*

Almighty God, you have called us to serve you, yet without your grace we are unable to please you. We confess that

we have sinned against you and done what is evil in your sight. Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, so that we may speak and act and live according to your will, through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Exodus 19:2-8a Anita Fritze

Responsive Psalm Psalm 116:1-6

I love the Lord, who has heard my voice and my supplications.

God has inclined his ear to me whenever I called.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, save my life!"

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

The Lord preserves the simple; when I was brought low, the Lord saved me.

New Testament Romans 5:1-11

Sermon "Something Good Out of Suffering?" Dr. Anderson

Gathering the Collection

Offertory "Alleluia" Jerry Sinclair

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, our Heavenly Father, you reveal the meaning of parenthood. You bring forgiveness, joy, and laughter to

earthly families where relationships are strained by sin. Accept these offerings as a sign of our thankfulness. May you bless the parents, children, and grandparents of our church so that we may be a blessing to our neighbors. We ask this through Christ, who blessed little children. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns for Congregational Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

Hymn 555 "Forward Through the Ages"

Benediction

Postlude "Etude Opus 47, No. 19" Stephen Heller

* Prayers adapted 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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