November 22, 2020	9:00 AM	Pentecost 25

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome Rev. Bonnie Brown

Bringing of the Light

 $Bell\ of\ Mindfulness\ ({\it Please}\ use\ this\ time\ for\ quiet\ reflection.)$

Prelude Let All Things Now Living arr. Choplin

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano Trad. Welsh Melody

*Call to Worship Steve Divine

One: In our circle of uncertainty and hurry,

All: you, O God, are the fixed point of calm.

One: In our stretched moments of stress and emotion,

All: you, O God, are the settled feeling of peace.

One: In our well-worn routine of the everyday,

All: you, O God, are the flash of fresh inspiration.

One: In our ordinary and earthbound moments,

All: you, O God, are the Spirit that transforms through the holy.

*Hymn Now Thank We All Our God (vs. 1, 2) 715

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors") Steve Divine

Children's Blessing Rev. Brown

First Scripture Matthew 25:31-40 Steve Divine

Response One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Brown

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Message in Music Give Thanks arr. Thomas

The Tichenor Family

Second Scripture Matthew 25:41-46

Response One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Adventures in Missing the Point Rev. Brown

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn The Church's One Foundation (vs. 1, 5) 272

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering

*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46)

*Dedication Prayer

RENEWING THE COVENANT IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

We are one in Christ, let everyone share in this communion without regard for denominational affiliation. You are invited to take the cup and bread after your prayers.

Invitation to Communion and Words of Institution Steve Divine

Prayer of Thanksgiving Steve Divine

*Communion Music Simple Gifts arr. Hayes

Traditional Shaker Melody

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction Rev. Brown

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Flowers have been placed in the chancel to the glory of God and in loving memory of Justice William M. Gant by Mary Ellen Gant and Stuart Gant.

^{*}Please stand if you are able.

Matthew 25:41-46

⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

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November 25 and 26 - Office closed

Advent 1 - November 29 at 9 AM – Online worship via Facebook, Mixlr, or The Church is Calling and **worship in-person for those with last names beginning with M, O, P, Q, S**. Please remember to wear your mask.

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Seven Works of Mercy Mural, DiaLog-Hotel, 2008

"Our mission is to manifest Christ's love by empowering all to compassionate service."

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