

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome Rev. Chris Michael

Bringing of the Light
Bell of Mindfulness
(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)Prelude Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano
"Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word"
Johann R. Ahle, 1664
arr. Daniel Burton*Call to Worship Meaghan Murphy
One: Come into the chill of our existence, O God, the cool of our soul.
All: Bring the warmth of your presence, the glow of enthusiastic worship.

One: Come into the routine of our church, O God, into the familiar nature of our relationships.

All: Bring the joy of good friends, the assurance that there are those on whom we can rely.

One: Come into our habitual ways, O God, the groove of our family life.

All: Bring the inspiration of fresh challenges, the satisfaction of caring for our loved ones faithfully.***Hymn #518**
"This Is a Day of New Beginnings"*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Meaghan Murphy
(using "debts" and "debtors")First Scripture Reading Meaghan Murphy
Acts 2:42-47One: The Word of God for the people of God
All: Thanks be to God.Children's Blessing Rev. Chris Michael
Children ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited forward for a blessing, then will be escorted to Worship and Wonder
(located at the end of the first floor education wing)

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Chris Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GODChoir Message
"How Beautiful"
Paris
arr. Larson

Second Scripture Reading Rev. Chris Michael

Mark 9:2-10

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

All: Thanks be to God.Sermon Rev. Chris Michael
"Pay Attention"

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn #576**
"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" (all)**OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD**Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael
Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano
"The Light of the World is Jesus"
Philip P. Bliss
arr. Mark Hayes

*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 Doug & Brenda Hoyt

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music
Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano"Holy Ground"
Geron Davis
Arr. Carol Tornquist**GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE***Benediction Rev. Chris Michael
One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

*Please stand if you are able.

Scripture Reading**First Reading- Acts 2:42-47**

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. 44 All who believed were together and had all things in common; 45 they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Second Reading- Mark 9:2-10

2 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, 3 and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. 4 And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. 5 Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' 6 He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. 7 Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' 8 Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. 10 So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead could mean.