Worship Service ~ October 18, 2020 10:30

VISION: Be the body of Christ: welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith. MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

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OPENING SONG

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

~Silence for reflection and self-examination~

L: Faithful God.

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.

We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

L: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Our sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE WITH DEACON NINA

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A reading from the 45th chapter of Isaiah.

Isaiah 45:5-7

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other;

besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,

⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me;

I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷I form light and create darkness,

I make weal and create woe:

I the LORD do all these things.

R: A Gospel reading from the 22^{nd} chapter of Matthew.

Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed: and they left him and went away.

SONG OF THE DAY

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

MUSICAL OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: We pray, Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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