

“DO YOU SEE ALL
THESE GREAT
BUILDINGS?”
REPLIED JESUS.

“NOT ONE STONE
HERE WILL BE LEFT
ON ANOTHER;
EVERY ONE WILL
BE THROWN
DOWN.”

MARK 13:2



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 13, 2022

GATHERING

PRAYER FOR MEDITATION: *O God of love, you have called us into the church. We thank you for opportunities to grow in understanding and concern for one another. May our congregation be an incarnation of your love within and beyond these church doors, where there is loneliness, injustice, or misunderstanding; through Christ our Head, and the Holy Spirit our Strength. Amen.*

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Fanfare-Trumpet Tune* Ashdown
Dr. Terry McRoberts

CHORAL INTROIT *Sing a New Song to the Lord* Hopson
Chancel Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *Rev. John White*

One: Surely God is our salvation;
ALL: *we will trust, and will not be afraid,*
One: for the Lord God is our strength and our might;
ALL: *God has become our salvation.*
One: Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously;
ALL: *let this be known in all the earth.*

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 119** *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* MENDELSSOHN

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) *Rev. Courtney Bowen*

*God, who labored creation into being,
we give thanks for this day and the privilege of working in your world.
We pray this day for those for whom this Lord's Day is not a day of rest but of toil.
We pray this day for those who cannot afford to take Sabbath
and for those who believe they cannot afford to take Sabbath.
Grant us the strength to labor for what is right, just, and fair.
Grant us the wisdom to speak out for those who are enslaved, oppressed, and exploited.*

(continued)

*Grant us the ability to break the chains of injustice and hear the voices of people long silenced.
We pray this day for the privilege of continuing to work in your world;
may we make it better through the power of your Holy Spirit. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Rev. Courtney Bowen

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Rev. Courtney Bowen

One: In God, we live and move and have our being. From God, we have life and breath and all things. Because Christ lives, we also live.

ALL: *Thanks be to our Lord Jesus, who removes our sins from us as far as the east is from the west. Alleluia! Amen*

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: 447 We Are Forgiven**

WE ARE FORGIVEN

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Rev. Courtney Bowen

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: *And, also, with you.*

ANTHEM

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
FPC Chancel Choir

arr. by Carter

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. John White

TOLLING THE BELLS OF PEACE

Rev. John White

THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John White

MINUTE FOR MISSION: STEWARDSHIP, AN ACT OF WORSHIP

Elder Robert Reeves

***HYMN: 352 My Lord! What a Morning**

MY LORD, WHAT A MORNING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Courtney Bowen

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 18:1-6 (pg. 720)*

Rev. Courtney Bowen

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

ALL: *Thanks be to God.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *Mark 13:1-8 (pg. 50)*

Rev. John White

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

ALL: *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

"... And the Walls Came a Tumblin' Down"

Rev. John White

RESPONSE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*Book of Confessions, The Larger Catechism*) Rev. Courtney Bowen

One: How is Christ to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world?

ALL: *Christ is to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world, in that he, who was unjustly judged and condemned by wicked men, shall come again at the last day in great power, and in the full manifestation of his own glory, and of his Father's, with all his holy angels, with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God, to judge the world in righteousness..*

(At this time, please find the red friendship pad located toward the center aisle on each pew, sign it, pass it down your row and back again, taking note of those who worship with you.)

OFFERING

Rev. Courtney Bowen

OFFERTORY

We Gather Together

arr. by Corl

Dr. Terry McRoberts

*Doxology (Tune: 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

*Dedicatory Prayer

Rev. Courtney Bowen

***HYMN: 765** *May the God of Hope Go with Us* (sing through twice)

ARGENTINA

SENDING

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. John White

(We request that you remain seated until after the Postlude and ask that you use the Postlude as a time to reflect upon the scripture that was read in today's service.)

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go with Us Lord

Tallis

Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

arr. by McDonald

Dr. Terry McRoberts