



# Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

23rd Sunday after Pentecost  
November 17, 2019  
11:00 a.m.

† Those who are able, please stand

Prelude " \_\_\_\_\_ "

Westminster Peal

## GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life

Elizabeth Small

**Moved by the Spirit**

AMIS

John & Patricia Hibbard

Introit

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Johann Crüger (1598-1662)

Gathering as the Children of God

Elizabeth Small

One: Behold, God is our salvation. We will trust and not be afraid.

**All: *The Lord God is our strength and song, and has become our salvation.***

One: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

**All: *Give thanks to the Lord, call upon God's name. Make God's deeds known among the nations.***

One: Shout and sing for joy, you who swell in Zion.

**All: *For great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel.***

† Hymn No. 554

"Let All Things Now Living"

ASH GROVE

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

*We confess that our lives weaken us, Strengthening God. We do not exercise our faith as we should, and so fatigue easily. We see houses as investment property, not as homes built on love, hope, and dreams. We whimper our petty complaints about our friends and families, rather than shouting our hosannas to heaven for the gift of their lives. You are our hope, Gracious God, so forgive us. Create in us new hearts, and fill us with new energy to serve our sisters and brothers, bringing them to the deep wells of salvation, where they can fill their parched souls, even as we have been led to them by Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior....  
Silent Confession....Amen.*

**Assurance of Pardon**

One: ...Friends, believe the Good New of the Gospel.

All: *In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

**† Response No. 579**

Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

**† Passing of the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

*Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.*

**THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Lesson**

Luke 10:38-42

pg. 67

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

**Sermon**

*"Busy, Busy"*

Rita Sheffey

**RESPONSE**

**† Hymn No. 420**

*"God of Grace and God of Glory"*

CWM RHONDDA

**† Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostle's Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering		
Offertory	"Alleluia Jubilate"	James Whitbourn
† Doxology (#592)		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.*

### Prayers of the People

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

### SENDING

† Closing Hymn No. 376	"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"	HYFRYDOL
† Benediction		
† Choral Response	"Amen"	Marty Haugen
† Postlude	" _____ "	



## MVPC Mission Statement

### Blessed to Be a Blessing

We are a Presbyterian church filled with love and energy – an inclusive congregation committed to spiritual growth through *worship, study, fellowship, and service.*

As **children of God**, we seek to *praise* God in worship and in all that we say and do

As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community

As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles

**Moved by the Spirit**, we serve our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.

### Upcoming Events

November 17	Noon	Session Meeting
November 17	4:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Concert at St. Luke's Presbyterian benefitting Family Promise
November 28 & 29		Office Closed—Thanksgiving Holiday

### Worship Participants for November 17, 2019

Pastor - Rev. Barrett Abernethy

Guest Organist - Dr. Kenneth Sass

Guest Preacher - Rita Sheffey

Interim Dir. of Music - Matthias Young

Liturgist - Rev. Barrett Abernethy



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