

# August 23, 2015 — Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## We Come Together as God's People

- Prelude** *Cantabile* César Franck (1822-1890)  
Dr. John Allegar, organ
- Introit** *Praise Ye the Lord* (from *Canticle of Praise*) John Ness Beck (1930-1987)  
Dr. Michelle L. Louer, director
- \* **Call to Worship** Rev. Joyce E. Hunn  
**Leader:** God calls us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending.  
**People:** God calls us by paths yet untrodden and through perils yet unknown.  
**Leader:** God gives us faith to go out with courage.  
**People:** We go, not always knowing where we go, but only that God's hand leads us and God's grace supports us all the way.
- \* **Prayer of Adoration**
- \*+ **Hymn #446** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* AUSTRIAN HYMN
- Call to Confession**  
**Prayer of Confession**  
**Leader:** Lord, have mercy on us and forgive our sin.  
**All:** We confess to you the many ways in which we have failed to live as your people:  
 we have refused your grace and relied on our own strength;  
 we have ignored the needs of our neighbors  
 and indulged our own desires;  
 we have judged others and excused ourselves;  
 we have done what is wrong and failed to do what is good in your sight.
- Silent Confession**  
**All:** Heal our brokenness and fill us with your grace,  
 so that we may serve you in our daily life.  
 In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.
- Assurance of Pardon**
- \* **Response of Praise** *Gloria Patri* (See sidebar)
- \* **Passing of the Peace**
- \*+ **Hymn #327** *O Word of God Incarnate* MUNICH
- Ritual of Friendship and the Concerns of the Church** Dr. Lewis F. Galloway



**Welcome!** We are so glad to have you with us in worship this morning. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please fill out one of the "welcome" cards in the pew rack so we may greet you and respond to any questions you might have.

### INTROIT

#### *Praise Ye the Lord*

For God's name alone is excellent,  
 God's glory is above the earth and heaven.  
 Praise ye the Lord!

### HYMN #446

***Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*** was written by former slave trader John Newton. While Newton is best known as the author of *Amazing Grace*, this is considered to be one of his finest hymns. The text is based on Isaiah 33:20-21: "Look upon Zion, the city of our appointed feasts! Your eyes will see Jerusalem, a quiet habitation an immovable tent, Whose stakes will never be plucked up, nor will any of its cords be broken. But there the Lord in majesty will be for us a place of broad rivers and streams..." Set to the tune "Austrian Hymn" composed by Franz Joseph Haydn, the text asserts God's promise and protection of God's people.

### THE 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.

### HYMN #327

***O Word of God Incarnate*** was written by Anglican priest William How, who later became a bishop of the Church of England. He was known as the "poor man's bishop of east London." The text is based on Psalms 119:105 (Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path) and Proverbs 6:23 (For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of Life). While this text is about the Bible and uses many metaphors in referring to it, note that it is Christ who is addressed as the living "Word of God incarnate." This language is taken from the prologue to the gospel of John.

\* Those who are able may stand. + Latecomers may be seated.

**PARENTS: TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Following Time with the Children, Children's Ministry staff will meet children up through 2nd grade at the pulpit door to escort them to the nursery (age 2 and under) or to Children's Chapel Sunday School (ages 3 – 2nd grade). Before sending your child forward for the Time with Children, please fill out a name tag (in the pew racks) place half on your child's back and bring the other half when you pick up your child. Children ages 3rd grade and older remain in worship with their families. Worship Bags and Children's Bulletins are available at each entrance to the sanctuary.

Infant Nursery (240)  
 Toddlers, 2s and 3s (233)  
 Children's Chapel Sunday School (206)

**We Experience God's Word**

**Time with the Children (11:00)**

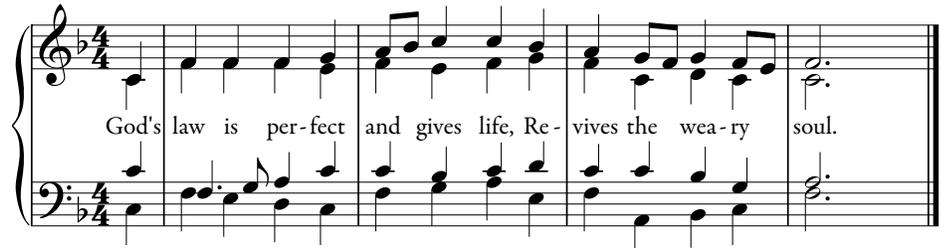
**Prayer of Illumination**

Elder Jil Savery (9:30)  
 Elder Ann VanMeter (11:00)

**First Lesson**

Psalm 19

(p. 488)



- <sup>1</sup> The heavens are telling the glory of God;  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
- <sup>2</sup> Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.
- <sup>3</sup> There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;
- <sup>4</sup> yet their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.
- In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
- <sup>5</sup> which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,  
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
- <sup>6</sup> Its rising is from the end of the heavens,  
and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hidden from its heat.
- (REFRAIN)
- <sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;
- <sup>8</sup> the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;
- <sup>9</sup> the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- <sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.
- (REFRAIN)
- <sup>11</sup> Moreover by them is your servant warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.
- <sup>12</sup> But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.
- <sup>13</sup> Keep back your servant also from the insolent;  
do not let them have dominion over me.
- Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.
- <sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.
- (REFRAIN)

**Second Lesson**

Ephesians 3:1-13

(p. 1065)

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION AND WHOLENESS**

10:35 a.m. in Milner Chapel  
 Rev. Robert L. Hunter

**News Within the Church Family**

**Hospitalized:**  
 Joan Young

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**Anthem** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* arr. Gilbert Martin  
(b. 1941)  
When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died;  
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.  
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.  
See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?  
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen.

**Sermon** Dr. Lewis F. Galloway

### “The One Thing Only You Can Do”

*“Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ.”*  
(EPHESIANS 3:8)

## We Give Thanks to God

**Invitation to Discipleship** Rev. Karen L. Lang (9:30)  
Rev. Brian S. Shivers (11:00)

**Moment for Discipleship** Elder Susan Stewart  
Small Groups@Second

**Recognition of New Members** (11:00) Dr. James W. Riley

\* **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) (See sidebar)

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer** (Hymnal p. 16)

**Offertory** *Ahavat Olam* (With Everlasting Love) Ben Steinberg  
(Sung in Hebrew; see English translation in sidebar) (b. 1930)  
Mitzi Westra, mezzo-soprano

\* **Doxology and the Prayer of Thanksgiving** (See sidebar)

## We Go Forth to Serve

\* **Closing Hymn #525** *Here I Am, Lord* Daniel Schutte  
(b. 1981)

\* **Charge and Benediction**

\* **Benediction Response** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Peter Lutkin  
The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord lift His countenance upon you;  
and give you peace, the Lord make His face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious unto you. Amen.

\* **Postlude** *Variation on Austrian Hymn* John Knowles Paine  
(1839-1906)

### CURRENT SERMON SERIES

**Re-imagining Service: the Church as Christ's Servant in the World.**

This 7-week series is based on Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

Future Sunday texts are:

August 30 - Psalm 8; Ephesians 4:1-16.

September 6 - Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25- 5:2

September 13 - Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-17

You can also review previous sermons at [SecondChurchMedia.org](http://SecondChurchMedia.org).

### THE APOSTLES' 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.

### OFFERTORY

**Ahavat Olam** (English translation)

You have loved your people  
with an everlasting love!

You have taught us your statutes  
and judgments.

Therefore, O Lord our God,  
when we lie down and when we rise up,  
We will meditate on your laws.

We will rejoice in your words  
and your commandments forever.

For your word is life  
and we will meditate on it day and night.  
May you never take away your love from us!  
Blessed are you, O Lord,  
who loves your people.

### DOXOLOGY

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.

### HYMN #525

**Here I Am, Lord** was written by Jesuit Priest Daniel Schutte in 1981. The occasion of its writing was a service of diaconate ordination. Each stanza tells the needs of God's people and the divine care intended for them. The stanzas end with the interrogative found in Isaiah 6:8 in which God asks, Whom shall I send? Ascribing its strength to God, the congregation confidently replies, Here I am, Lord. I will go, Lord, if you lead me...