

Sunday Service for September 16th, 2018

A SILENT TIME OF PREPARATION

PRELUDE “To God All Praise and Glory” -arr. R. Wilson

PASTORAL GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #49 “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

• CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

One: The church of Jesus Christ...

All: is where people go when they skin their knees or their hearts, where frogs become princes and Cinderella dances past midnight, where judges don't judge and each child of God is beautiful and precious.

One: The Church of Jesus Christ...

All: is where the sea divides for exiles, where the ark floats and the lion lies down with the lamb, and where people can disagree and hold hands at the same time.

One: The church of Jesus Christ...

All: is where daisies bloom out of barren land, where mountains are moved and walls come tumbling down.

• GATHERING HYMN #2 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

• PRAYER AT GATHERING (*In unison*)

Lord, we have come this day to hear words of healing love and hope. We invite your Spirit into our hearts to show us how to follow you. May the courage and strength you give help us to become your faithful disciples.

• SILENCE

• THE GLORIA PATRI #35 (*Sung by all*)

**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.

• GREETING OUR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

• CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #599 “Day by Day” (*Sung by all*)
**Day by day, day by day, O, dear Lord, three things I pray;
to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly, day by day.** (*Repeat once*)
day by day, by day, by day, by day.

CHILDREN’S TIME (*Help with Baptism*)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Hailey Isabella Stevens

The Address to Congregation

Question to Congregation

L: Into what faith are we baptizing this child?

P: UCC STATEMENT OF FAITH (*Hymnal page 361 or on Screen*)

Question to Parents and Sponsors

Congregational Response (*In unison*)

We receive Hailey as a new person in Christ. We offer our understanding and support as she explores life. We enfold this child in our love, seeking together to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all people. We join with the parents and godparents in telling the gospel in our midst so that Hailey may live with Christ, showing forth his love for all people.

Pouring of Water and Baptismal Prayer

Naming of the Child

Presentation of the Child

Benediction

INTERLUDE “Walk With Me” (*Sung by all*)

(Children age 3 years –8th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School downstairs. Parents/Guardians please pick up students on the lower level at the end of worship.)

**Walk with me; I will walk with you,
And build the land that God has planned,
Where love shines through.**

(Ushers will collect prayer cards at this time.)

SCRIPTURE

First Reading: **Psalm 19:1-10** (*See insert or screen*)

Proverbs 1:20-33 (*page 584*)

Second Reading: **Mark 8:27-38** (*page 43*)

James 3:1-12 (*page 230*)

SERMON

CHORAL ANTHEM “Sing We Merrily Unto God” -G. Young

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER (*In unison*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

THE 2018 STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM KICKOFF

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERTORY "Lord of the Dance" -arr. K. Kosche

• OFFERTORY RESPONSE "Doxology" (*Sung by all*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

• DEDICATION OF GIFTS (*In unison*)

Lord, you give us everything we have, we return with joy a portion of our bounty, giving to the work of your church and your world what is already yours: our lives, and our means. Make good come from these gifts. Teach us to use what we have with wisdom and compassion. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

• SENDING HYMN #75 "I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"

• COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

• MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE "Lift High the Cross" -arr. P. Manz

Today we celebrate the baptism of **Hailey Isabella Stevens**. We rejoice with her parents Michael and Andrea, God parents Aly Karczewski, Joshua Stevens, and Helena Slyzenski, and her sibling Olivia. May God's peace be with this family!

Enter to Worship – Depart to Serve

Our time of worship concludes at the end of the Postlude. You are invited to remain quietly in the sanctuary and listen to this music written and played to glorify God. Otherwise, you may quietly join others in the narthex for refreshments and fellowship. Emanuel now offers GIVE+ for online giving. If you have any questions on how to use this application, please contact the church office.

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Psalm 19:1-10

RESPONSE

Psalm 19:7
Hebrew melody

The law of God is just, re - viv-ing all your soul.

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- 1 The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.
- 2 **Day to day pours forth speech,**
and night to night declares knowledge.
- 3 There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
- 4 **yet their voice goes out through all the earth,**
and their words to the end of the world.
In the heavens God has set a tent for the sun,
- 5 which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and runs its course with joy and strength.
- 6 **Its rising is from the end of the heavens,**
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hid from its heat. R
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the decrees of the LORD are sure,
making wise the simple;
- 8 the precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;
- 9 the fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb. R