

October 16, 2022

Prelude and Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Righteous One, you are ever listening.

People: **We come boldly, lifting our praise to you, because we know you hear us.**

Leader: Bringer of Justice, you reveal truth to us.

People: **You help us to see how things are and how they can be.**

Leader: Eternal God, you persist in love and justice.

People: **We want to persist in love and justice too.**

***Hymn #17:** "To You, O God, All Creatures Sing" [verses 1-4]

***Invocation**

Come, O Creator, O Immensity of love, O eternity of mercy. Come, and be with us and in us and beside us and over us. Be as hands upon us, and fashion us for shining. Be as warmth within us, and fire us for caring. Be as strength beside us, and shape our lives for healing. Abide in our prayers, the spoken and the unspoken; and make your Word come true in our flesh; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace** "Peace Like a River", verse 1, using ending 2 page 478

**I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river, in my soul.**

Stewardship Moment

Jim Miers

Scripture Reading:

Luke 18:1-8

Liisa Granfors-Hunt

Anthem

Time with Young Disciples

Sermon: "Persistence"

***Hymn #506:** "What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

The Community at Prayer (*Joys and Concerns, Prayers for the People, Lord's Prayer*)

If you are watching online, type any prayer requests in the chat by the end of the sermon and we can voice them and get the names on the prayer list.

Prayer Response

Invitation to the Offering

(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website.)

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Steadfast One, receive our gifts in the gladness we give them. Thank you that we have an abundance of resources to share so that every need is met. May we always give from wide open hearts, and may what we give, be used to bring a balm of justice. Amen.

***Hymn #423: "Great Is Your Faithfulness"**

***Commissioning and Blessing**

***Choral Response**

***Postlude**