

“Today’s Challenge, Tomorrow’s Legacy” 7. Welcoming the Future

The Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*The Prelude is part of our Order of Worship, time to pray and seek quietness
as we all prepare to worship God together.*

PRELUDE “I Am Thine, O Lord” Doane

WELCOME, INTRODUCTION and CHURCH NEWS Jim Simpson

*** CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT HYMN 301 v 4. Let us build a house**
*Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the word they’ve known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of love’s face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** Grace Thomas

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God’s steadfast love endures forever.
Choose this day whom you will serve.
We will love and serve the Lord.
Let us worship God.

*** HYMN # 756** “O God of Every Nation”

CALL TO CONFESSION and PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*silent prayer, then spoken*)

Holy and gracious God, you are all light and wonder and glory.
You are our strength and our delight; you give us all we need to live.
Yet we are distracted by all that glitters, continually grasping for more.
Rather than trust in your provision, we chase after our own happiness.
Forgive us, Lord, and turn us back to you.
Overwhelm us with your goodness and cover us with grace,
for we know that you are the source of life, the fount of all that is good.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE #821 v4 and Refrain

*The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?*

Refrain: *No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Amos 5:18-24 (p.805/p.1046) Grace Thomas
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON (Activity Packs for children available ask Usher)

*** HYMN # 182** “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 25:1-13 (p.26/p.34) Garrett Frank
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM “Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning” African American spiritual

SERMON “Trimming our lamps” Jim Simpson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS and Lord’s Prayer
(*...forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us...*)

THE OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY “It Is Well With My Soul” Bliss

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Garrett Frank

God of unending gifts, we praise you for your abundant goodness.
As you are generous, we want to be generous too.
May the gifts we bring extend your generosity into the world,
so that all people may be made whole by your goodness and grace. Amen.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostle’s Creed Hymnal page 35

*** HYMN # 839** “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine”

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

God's Blessings upon you, upon those you love
and those you shall never know.
Blessings upon your steps and upon the vision of your eyes.
Blessings upon you in all circumstances; joy and sorrow,
for wisdom rests in them, twin experiences with different faces.
Blessings be upon what lies before you,
the challenges and decisions, the pain and the relief.
Blessings upon you, my friends in Christ. Amen. Amen. Amen.

*** RESPONSE – HYMN # 607 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen*

POSTLUDE “To God Be the Glory” Doane
Kathy Cardwell, Director of Music

**All who are comfortable standing, please stand.*

~~ SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH follows this Service. All are invited!!~~

Next Sunday November 19, 2017 Michael Gable - pulpit supply
“Aspects of Christ 1. The Thief in the Night
Scripture: Psalm 23 and 1Thessalonians 5: 1-11

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in Ordinary Time
Dr. Jim Simpson
Pastor

