



17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*The \*asterisk is an invitation to rise in body and/or spirit.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME  
**PREPARATION**

Rev. Christopher Liberati

Prelude *Christ our Cornerstone* by C. Beckett Rose Darling

**Opening Prayer–All Uniting** Liturgist: Ken Grove  
**Lord, whether we have come to you from long ago, or have just come to you now, you reach out with love and blessing for each one of us. Help us remember your mercy and your love and offer greetings and blessings to each other in your name. AMEN.**

\*Gathering Hymn *How Firm a Foundation* UM Hymnal 529

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Whether you arrived here first this morning or came in as the service was beginning, God bids you joyful welcome.

**P: We thank you and thank God for this generous welcome.**

L: You are precious in God’s sight, a delight in God’s presence.

**P: Lord, we have come seeking your healing mercy.**

L: Know that God’s compassionate love is poured over you this day.

**P: Hallelujah! AMEN.**

Invitation to Children Rev. Christopher Liberati

Children’s Song *Where Children Belong* Rose Darling

*Lyrics:*

*This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.*

Children’s Message Ally Brooks

**INTO THE WORD**

Psalm 105:1-6 Lay Reader: Taffy Frazer

\*Matthew 20:1-16

Response to the Word *\*Gloria Patri* UM Hymnal 71

Message Or are you envious because I am generous? Rev. Christopher Liberati

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

Prayer Hymn *Only Trust Him* UM Hymnal 337

Morning Prayer

Lord’s Prayer-UM Hymnal 895

Invitation and Dedication for the Giving of Our Lives, Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings:  
*When we bring an offering to God, it is a form of worship. Worshipping God with giving of our money reveals our hearts desire. We give sacrificially, generously, and continuously as a way of ascribing value to who God is in our lives. As we do so, our love for God and others grows.*

Offertory *Shout Amen!* by Jay Althouse Joe Jancura, accompanist

\*Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UM Hymnal 94

\*Prayer of Dedication

**SENDING FORTH**

\*Hymn of Parting *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* UM Hymnal 462

\*Benediction

Postlude *The Heaven’s Declare God’s Glory: Beethoven/Haydn* arr R. Darling

**Serving in Worship:**

Sound: Jassmine Bayless & Carol Moore

Live Stream: Patsy Hommon & Morgan Mills

Ushers:

**Did you know?**

One of our goals for this upcoming year is to become more intentional in our prayer life. Have a prayer request? Please fill out the green prayer cards located in the pews, place them in the offering plate, and they will be prayed over and shared with the pastors and/or congregation and/or care & connect team based on your request.

Consider lighting a candle at the kneeler at the beginning of this service while offering your prayers to God.

