

*** Choral Benediction**

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

*** Postlude**

"Psalm XIX"

B. Marcello

** Members of the congregation stand if able.*

Altar flowers are presented by Kathy Barton
in loving memory of Chuck Barton, husband.

Pulpit flowers are presented by Jim Lodge
in loving memory of Bev Lodge, wife, mother, and grandmother.

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Mentor United Methodist Church

September 22, 2019

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The liturgical color is green, signifying life and growth in the Christian church.

GATHERING

Prelude "Prelude and Fugue in C" J.S. Bach
Amy Bender, organist

Lighting of the Candles

Presentation of God's Holy Word

Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew.

If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Welcome and Announcements

*** Call to Worship** Kate Colbw (9:00) Paula Langdon (11:00), Liturgist

Leader: Let us seek the Lord with our whole heart.

Let us hide God's word in our heart so that we will not forget.

People: I praise you, O Lord, for you teach me your ways.

I rejoice in following you, for you are life to me.

Leader: Let us meditate on God's goodness.

Let us recount the riches of God's grace.

People: I sing praises and delight in God.

I rejoice in the God of my salvation.

*** Prayer** (unison)

Loving God, we are grateful for the gift of your grace. We are undeserving, and on our own we would be lost and confused. Thank you for offering us strength in our weakness, direction in our chaos, hope in our despair, and love on our very worst day.

Help us receive all you have to offer us, today, and every day. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

*** Opening Hymn 365** "Grace Greater than Our Sin " MOODY

Anthem

9:00 "You Are Mine" arr. Mark Hayes
Cappella

11:00 "Fill The Earth With Praise!" Lloyd Larson
Chancel Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

11:00 "Mercy" Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir

*** Doxology** UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*** Prayer of Dedication**

*** Hymn of Preparation 378** "Amazing Grace" AMAZING GRACE

Scripture Reading New Testament page 827 Ephesians 2:1-10

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Heading in the Wrong Direction Rev. Sondra Snode

SENDING FORTH

*** Hymn 370** "Victory in Jesus" HARTFORD