



WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 - 11:00 AM

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"I was glad when they said to me,

'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" Psalm 122:1

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even "at home," for all are welcome in God's house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Loving childcare for infants and children through 2nd grade is provided in our Nursery Suite; ask a Greeter for directions. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our Fellowship Hour following worship!

WPC Vision & Mission Statement

Growing and Building in the Love of Christ
Ephesians 4:16

We ENVISION a church that:

- † Is kind, generous, hospitable and welcoming.
- † Involves everyone in local and global mission.
- † Treats everyone as a Child of God.
- † Shares our time, talents, and treasure.

Our MISSION is to grow and build in:

- † Faith through worship, prayer, and Bible study.
- † Fellowship with one another and with guests.
- † Hospitality shown to our community and world.
- † Facilities that are exceptional and accessible to all.

* Congregation is invited to stand.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude	<i>Prayer (Suite Gothique)</i>	L. Boellmann
	<i>Adagio (Sonata in C Minor)</i>	A. Guilmant
	<i>The Heavens Are Telling</i>	L. Beethoven

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Ps. 1:1-2, 6) Becky Fadely

Happy are the people
who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that they follow, or sit in the seat of people who make fun of others.

Their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and they meditate on God's law day and night.

The Lord watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

***Hymn 767** *Together We Serve*

***Opening Prayer (pray together)**
God of the first and the last, give us strength of mind, that we might walk the path of obedience and discipleship without wasting our time thinking about who is more important. Instead, guide our thoughts and our emotions, welcoming all with hospitality and love. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen



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**Invitation to Confession of Sin
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God of wisdom, forgive our foolishness. We desire what we do not need and corrupt our relationships with envy. You urge us to gentleness, but we stir up conflict. Give us your grace, that we may harvest righteousness and peace, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Teacher, we pray...(Time for self-reflection) Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen!

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Anthem *Thy Word* A. Grant/M. Smith

Scripture Readings

Gospel Mark 9:30-37~ page 42
Second Reading James 3:13-4:3,7-8a ~ page 216

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Message Rev. Kate Rascoe

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Apostles' Creed**
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;

Glory Be to the Father

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!

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 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.

Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

***Gloria Patri** (words at left of page)

***Hymn 835** *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Dwelling in Beulah Land* C. Miles

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication** (words at left of page)

***Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication Ps 1:3**
Our great Gardener, we are like trees planted by streams of water that yield their fruit in season and prosper in you. We are grateful for all that you have provided, and we dedicate our first fruits to you and to the work of your church, now and forever. Amen.

***Hymn 300** *We Are One in the Spirit*

***Benediction**

***Choir Response** *Threefold Amen* E. Sollenberger

Postlude *Psalm XIX* B. Marcello