



“Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.”

- Genesis 32:24

August 2, 2020

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

August 2, 2020

9th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Althea Waites

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 17:1, 6 and 7

Leader: I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God.

People: Incline your ear to hear me; hear my words.

Leader: O savior of those who seek refuge, attend my cry.

People: Wondrously show your steadfast love.

HYMN

"We Sing to You, O God"

Charles Dickerson

**We sing to you, O God, the Rock who gave us birth,
Let our rejoicing sing your name in all the earth.
To you, O God, let songs be raised,
In joyful hymns, our feast of praise.**

**O God, eternal God, we hide within your wings,
The everlasting arms to whom our praises ring.
Your word is true, your way is just,
You are the God in whom we trust.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

**Unison: Generous God, for the times we have neglected to fully cherish your wisdom
and your promises, forgive us. In the midst of the ways we find ourselves drained
and in distress, renew us. From the conflicts and contradictions that block our
pathways, liberate us. We need your healing grace.**

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

John Fitzgerald

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved and free,
In awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me, his life laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
The new community of love in Christ's communion bread,
In Christ's communion bread.**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH Jonathan Chute
THE WORD FOR CHILDREN April Herron
ANTHEM “Green Summertime” – R & L Williams & J. Clark 3rd service ensemble
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION Jonathan Chute

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.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY Althea Waites

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.**

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 32:22-31 Jacob wrestles all night John Fitzgerald

SERMON

“*Limping Along With God*” April Herron

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(a pastor will offer the prayer of thanksgiving)

BLESSING AND SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

HYMN

“All My Days”

Charles Dickerson

You know my words before they're said.

You know my need and I am fed.

You give me life. You know my ways,

My strength, my path, for all my days.

If I should fly beyond the dawn,

The darkness will not overcome.

If I lie down in deepest night,

Still you are there, my Lord, my light.

*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace.

Let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

POSTLUDE

Althea Waites

3rd service ensemble:

Paula Kuno – guitar/mandolin/vocals

Teresa James – piano/flute/vocals

Michael Starr – guitar/violin/mandolin/vocals

Zach Provost – piano/vocals

Cory Tramontelli – bass/vocals

Jack Sollecito – percussion/guitar/piano

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus

Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director

Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse

Megan Pelc, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director

Debra DeLuca, Children's Ministry Director

Kristin Rekse, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor

Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director

Althea Waites, Organist

Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music

John Fitzgerald, Treasurer

Nicole Lowery Zakman, Church Business Mgr.

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Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.

Miguel Portillo, Custodian