

9:00 a.m.

Devotional Service

November 5, 2023

Welcome to the 9:00 a.m. Devotional Service. Together, may we rejoice and give thanks for God's loving grace in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Welcome and Life in the Community

*Hymn 326 **For All the Saints** (vv. 1, 3, & 5)

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*Expressing Our Joy

Leader: Come, saints of God, to a new heaven and earth, the holy city, God's new Jerusalem.

People: The dwelling place of God is with people; God wipes away the tears from our eyes.

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and all who dwell therein.

People: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, and who shall stand in God's holy place?

Leader: All whose hands are clean and hearts are pure shall know God's vindication and blessing.

People: We give thanks to God for the heritage of the saints.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We admit that, too often, we have taken their witness for granted. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your great mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness

The Sacrament of Baptism

Emma Caroline Rivera

*The Apostle's Creed (*Traditional Version*, Page 35) and **Gloria Patri** (No. 581)

*Hymn 486 **Child of Blessing, Child of Promise** KINGDOM

Psalm 16 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 469 in the pew Bible.]

Hebrews 12:1, 2 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 212-213 in the pew Bible.]

Meditation **Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow** The Rev. Vance Polley

Tolling of the Bell and Recognition of Those Who Have Entered *The Church Triumphant*

Instrumental **Adagio Sostenuto** (*from Moonlight Sonata Op 27 No 2*) Ludwig van Beethoven

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*At the Presentation **Doxology** (No. 606) OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication and Invitation to the Lord's Table

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 our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving, concluding with *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.

The Lord's Supper

(All who are baptized are invited to share in *The Lord's Supper*.)

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn 275 **A Mighty Fortress Is Our God** (vv. 1 & 4) EIN' FESTE BURG

*Blessing

*Going Out into the World

*All those who are able, please stand.