

15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 18, 2022
10:30 am



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GATHERING

Prelude

Take My Life and Let It Be Michael Matson
... *Henri A.C. Milan, Arr. by Victor Labensk*

Invocation

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

Welcome

Pastor John Kuehner

Refrain

Come to us, you who say, "I will not for-get you." Be with us, you
 who say, "Do not be a-fraid." Take hold of us, our hearts, our
 minds, our whole be - ing. Make us your own, now is the time.

Verses 2

1. Spir - it of love, crush the pain of ha - tred.
 2. Spir - it of peace, si - lence tongues of an - ger.
 3. Spir - it of faith, rise a - bove our doubt-ing.

1. Spir - it of hope, stand be - fore our eyes. Spir - it of light,
 2. Spir - it of life, break the chains of death. Spir - it of joy,
 3. Spir - it of truth, save us from our lies. Spir - it of God,

1. dance with-in our dim - ness. Make us your own, now is the time.
 2. o - ver - come our sad - ness. Make us your own, now is the time.
 3. walk a - mong your peo - ple. Make us your own, now is the time.

*Last time, repeat final phrase twice.

Prayer of the Day

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God among us, we gather in the name of Jesus to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading – Amos 8: 4 - 7

Amos was called by God to prophesy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Peace and prosperity in Israel led to corrupt business practices and oppression of the poor. The prophet declares that God will not tolerate such a situation.

Special Music *Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated*
 . . . *Frances. R. Havergal & Mark Hayes*

WORD

Gospel Verse

P: The Gospel according to Luke

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel – Luke 16: 1 - 13

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor John Kuehner

Special Music

Let Streams of Living Justice
... *Gustav Holst and William Whitla*

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the
power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right
hand of the Father.
He will come again to
judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Response to each petition

A: Lord in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **And also with you.**

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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**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 and ever.
 Amen.**

SENDING

Blessing

P: The God of peace,
 our Creator, † Savior, and Sustainer,
 bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life
 this day and always.

C: **Amen.**

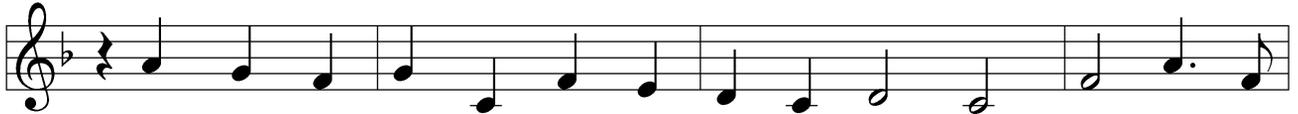
Sending Hymn

Rise, Shine, You People

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1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent his Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion his new cre - a - tion.

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Every Time I Feel the Spirit
... Arr. by Reginald Unterseher