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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m. July 8, 2018

The Order of Worship

Song of Gathering

Come, we that love the Lord

No. 773 (UMH)

Community Announcements

(Please take the black welcome folder located at the end of your pew, fill it out and pass it to the next person. When the folder has reached the end of the pew, please return it to the starting point, noting the names of those sitting near you so that you can greet them. After the offertory, ushers will collect the welcome folders.)

Prelude

Sinfonia from *Solomon*, HWV 67, No. 2

George Frederic Handel

+Call to Worship

Take off your shoes!

We are standing on holy ground.

Shake off the dust!

We are ready to start afresh.

Let us worship God and receive Christ's teachings,

that we may be renewed and strengthened

to share God's love with the world.

+Entrance Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the almighty

No. 139 (UMH)

+Opening Prayer

*(+ indicates congregation standing as able
UMH = red hymnal, TFWs = supplement)*

Welcome Litany

How beautiful upon the mountains and plains are the feet of the messenger
who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation.

God, you continue to call us into your service

And spread the message of the salvation of your Son.

Bless richly, we pray, your servant Pastor Grace as she enters our community.

Fill her with the power of your Holy Spirit

that she may lead prophetically and serve compassionately.

And let her find with us an open door for the Word.

Give her and us patience, courage, and wisdom

To care for one another and challenge one another

Grant us all to partake in your strength and joy,

so that we can enter into the injustice and suffering of the world,

to make alive that hope which Christ gives.

Equip Pastor Grace to guide this congregation with the assurance that we walk with her.

Grant us all the grace to live as your faith-filled servants. Amen.

First Reading

II Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

(Pew Bible OT p. 279)

*(Following the reading, the leader says "This is the word of God
for the people of God;" the people respond "**Thanks be to God.**")*

+Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle Halleluja!

Hal - le, Hal - le, Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal - le, Hal - le, Hal - le - lu - ja!
Hal - le, Hal - le, Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal - le - lu - ja!

WORDS: Trad. Caribbean

MUSIC: Trad. Caribbean

HALLE, HALLE

(Sing once before and once after the Gospel reading)

+Gospel Reading

Mark 6:1-13

(Pew Bible NT p. 40)

*(Following the Gospel reading, the leader says "Hear what the Spirit says to the
church"; the people respond "**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**")*

Time With Children

P.G. (Pastor Grace) Story

Grace Imathiu

(Children return to sit with their families after Time With Children).

Hymn

Lord you give the great commission

No. 584 (UMH)

Sermon

Eyes on Jesus

Prayers of the People

*Prayers, whether spoken or unspoken, may be written on the yellow prayer request card and placed in the offering plate. In our petitions, we pray for each other, the world, and ourselves, and after the leader says “**God in your mercy,**” the people respond with “**Hear our Prayer.**”*

+The Peace

(All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

Offering

Offertory Anthem

Zion’s Walls

Aaron Copland

+Presenting Our Gifts to God

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow . . .

No. 94 (UMH)

+Offertory Prayer

(Ushers will come by to collect the welcome folders.)

+Sending Hymn

We are all one in mission

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+Benediction

+Benediction Response

The Lord bless you and keep you

Peter Lutkin

Postlude

Fanfare

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens

After the service, Grace Imathiu will greet the congregation at the Hinman Avenue exit, Jane Cheema at the Fountain Foyer exit, and Bonny Roth at the Church Street exit.