



The People of God in Worship
October 15, 2017
Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

THE GREETING

The Rev. Dr. Michael K. Cheuk

To our Guests, Members, and Friends: In the pew rack you will find a small brochure to give us the opportunity to get to know you and serve you better. Fill in where appropriate, and place it in the collection plate. Welcome and thank you!

THE CHIMES

Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit.

THE PRELUDE

Please consider the organ prelude as an invitation to quietly, reverently prepare yourself for worship.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Dr. Clif Potter

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

Leader: He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

People: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Dr. Clif Potter

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:1-9

Dr. Clif Potter

Leader: A Word for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

THE SECOND READING

Matthew 22:1-14

Dr. Clif Potter

Leader: A Word for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

The Community

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.

ANTHEM

Who at My Door is Standing?

K. Lee Scott

THE MORNING PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Michael K. Cheuk

THE STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Ms. Mary Lee Bell

***THE OFFERTORY HYMN No. 65**

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

THE GIFTS

*Offertory Moment and Prayer

Dr. Clif Potter

Offertory

*Doxology - No. 815

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

THE THRID READING

Philippians 4:1-9

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THE MESSAGE

*How to be Happy...and Still Be
in Your Right Mind*

The Rev. Dr. Michael K. Cheuk

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to present yourself at this time. If you prefer not to present yourself, you may speak to the minister after the service to effect membership. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a profession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to use this time to renew their covenantal relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.

***HYMN No. 750**

Peace Like a River

***THE BENEDICTION**

The Rev. Dr. Michael K. Cheuk

***THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

Amen

***THE POSTLUDE**

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- * The ushers will seat those waiting.
 - * Those who are able, please stand.
 - * Hearing aids are available from the ushers.

Copies of the current prayer list are in the narthex.

*The beautiful flowers in the worship room today are given by
Randal and Sandy Walton
in celebration of their wedding anniversary.*

Offertory Emphasis

This month a portion of your mission gift is being sent to Interfaith Outreach Association, a collaboration of 80 member congregations, working "to relieve distress and improve the quality of life for our neighbors in need by providing programs that offer education, guidance and support." Interfaith Outreach Association provides emergency assistance to those facing utility cutoff or eviction from their homes, fuel assistance for the elderly, and training in life skills for those re-entering society from the regional jail or juvenile detention. The Association works in cooperation with local social service and volunteer agencies to ensure that its programs do not duplicate those already in place. This is your mission gift at work.

Please join me in prayer.

We are thankful that, in cooperation with other local congregations, we can help the hundreds of applicants seeking assistance provided by Interfaith Outreach Association. We dedicate our gifts, our time, and our prayerful support to this most practical of ministry. Amen.