



The People of God in Worship
November 17th, 2019
Eleven O'clock in the Morning

THE GREETING

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

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 PRELUDE

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

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP** from Psalm 31

The Hon. Ed Burnette

Leader: In you, O Lord, do I take refuge;
People: let me never be put to shame;
Leader: in your righteousness, deliver me!
People: For you are my rock and my fortress, and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;
Leader: into your hand I commit my spirit;
People: for you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.
Leader: For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing;
People: my strength fails because of my own faults, and my bones waste away;
Leader: but I trust in you, O Lord; I say, "You are my God."
ALL: Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

***THE INVOCATION AND GLORIA PATRI**

The Hon. Ed Burnette & 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.

***HYMN No. 170**

Give Thanks

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!
Reply: **And also with you!**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 45:1-8

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Leader: A word from God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Ephesians 2:1-10

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CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF COMMUNITY, THE MORNING PRAYER, AND THE 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GIFTS

Offertory Moment and Prayer
Offertory Music
*Doxology - No. 815

The Hon. Ed Burnette
Peakland Choir
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***HYMN No. 355**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

THE MESSAGE

Big Words: Grace

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***HYMN No. 343**

Amazing Grace

***THE BENEDICTION**

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Stewardship Emphasis:

This coming week, we will purchase food, with our donations and offerings, to help families who are struggling with poverty or health or other issues enjoy a bountiful Thanksgiving meal. We will take that food to where they are, because they are our brothers and sisters and fellow members of this community. We will do this, not because we are good, but because we can. We will answer the call to share what we have been given, as we have been asked by God to do.

Prayer:

Lord, we are grateful for all that we have been given. Thank you that we are able to share it with others. Amen.



Joseph and the Dream of Stars Bowing Down
By Isaac Hart

