The liturgical color is green for the 20th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

"When Prayers Go Unanswered" Amy Bender, organ

Jerry van der Pol

WELCOME

Paul Montgomery, liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus says, knock and the door will be opened. Seek and you shall find.

God, we seek you. We trust in your wisdom and grace.

Jesus says, if you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.

God, we ask boldly, but we trust in your wisdom and grace.

Jesus says, not my will, God, but your will be done.

God, we pray trusting in your wisdom and grace.

Adapted from Luke 11:9, John 15:7, Luke 22:42

*OPENING HYMN

"It's Me, It's Me, O Lord"

UMH 352

OPENING PRAYER

Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

ANTHEM 9:00

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" Charter Members Men's Choir arr. Jack Schrader

Charter Members Men's Choir

11:00

"Sweet Are the Prayers of a Friend" Chancel Choir; Ben Chiappone, soloist Pepper Choplin

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 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. Amen.

FAITH IN ACTION

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY 9:00

"In Remembrance"

Ragan Courtney & Buryl Red / arr. Larry Fram

11:00

"In Remembrance"

Ragan Courtney & Buryl Red

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN OF CENTERING

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

UMH 496

Hymn History: The music to this hymn was written by William Bradbury. He was born in 1816
in York, Maine. His father was a choir leader. Bradbury became a well known church
organist in Massachusetts. He also taught organ in Brooklyn, New York. He went to
Germany in 1847 to study composition. He also started the Bradbury Piano Company with
his brother, Edward, in 1854. Bradbury composed the music to this hymn after discovering
the poem by the blind English preacher William Walford in 1861. Bradbury also wrote the
music to the famous hymn, Jesus Loves Me, in 1862 from the poem by Anna Bartlett
Warner. William Bradbury died in Bloomfield, New Jersey in 1868.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 22:1-2, p. 391, John 15:7, p. 764 Luke 22:42, p. 746

MESSAGE

"Doubt & Faith V: When Prayers Go Unanswered"
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HYMN OF MISSION

"One Bread, One Body"

UMH 620

^{*}Congregation invited to stand if able

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, Words of Assurance from Adam Hamilton worship resources for this series

The Altar is decorated in grapes & wheat for World Communion Sunday

For flowers, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485

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