



Service of Worship
August 16, 2020 10:00am
11th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

PRELUDE

Carrie DeVries, pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Melanie Townsend

CALL TO WORSHIP *(spoken together)*

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! A family formed by faith, we gather with Heartland Presbytery to worship the living Lord. Lifelong followers seeking sustenance, new disciples searching for grace— a family fashioned by faith, we gather to kneel before the giver of mercy. Children of God, the Lord gathers us and calls us his own. Let us praise God!

SINGING

“Your Grace Is Enough”
“Better Is One Day”

Maher
Redman

CHILDREN’S TIME

Lisa Cox, Tatum Cox

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Holy God,
Almighty God,
whose compassion embraces everyone,
gather the outcast and the lost,**

**heal the wounds of fear and distrust,
and make us a community of reconciliation
that we may embody your merciful love
and rejoice in your astounding grace
in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you and all others!**

SINGING

“Mighty to Save”

Fielding/Morgan

Equipping

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 15:21–28

(NRSV)

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

SERMON

“Getting Out of Your Comfort Zone”

Rev. Sheri Fry
Interim Assoc. Presbyter

Sending

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

by Richard Einerson

ANTHEM

“I Believe in You”
Praise Team

Eaton/Hartley

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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