

Spring Hill United Church of Christ

August 11, 2019

Building Abundant Lives by sharing the Love of Jesus.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Words for Meditation

*Open your hearts, your souls, your minds to
God's mercy and love.*

Acolyte ~ Riley Bradley

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

~Patti DiGregorio

One: God comes to us this day. Are we ready?

All: **We are ready!**

One: God challenges us to be in ministries of peace and hope. Are we ready?

All: **We are ready!**

One: Let us praise God who calls us to serve God by serving others.

All: **Praise be to God who has given us hope and peace.**

***Gathering Hymn** *"Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"* **#73**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION IN UNISON *(please be seated)*

Forgiving God, you know how easy it is for us to celebrate with joy the wonders of your love. We create wonderful art to represent the joy we feel. Our music soars to the heavens in praise of you. Yet how often we have left our service to you as mere thoughts and intentions without fulfillment. You ask us to be ready to serve you at any time, but we place our commitment on the "to do" list of life; we will do

these things when we get to them. Forgive our hesitancy and our self-serving ways, O Lord. Heal us of the disease of seeking first our own comfort before we engage in acts of justice and mercy. Open our eyes and ears to the cries of those in need. Help us to give and also to receive ministries of love and reconciliation as we serve you with our whole hearts. Then our music, our art, our worship will truly reflect your awesome and abundant love for us. AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE IN UNISON

It is God's good pleasure to give us the kingdom. It is our joy to serve God by helping each other and all those in need. Be assured of God's tender mercy toward you and continue that love in all that you do. AMEN.

The Psalm Psalm 50: 1-8, 22-23 Pg. 639 (OT)

Time with the Children and the Child Within

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

Choral Response "*Cares Chorus*"

*I cast all my cares upon You, I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet.
And anytime that I don't know what to do,
I will cast all my cares upon You.*

Morning Offering

Offertory

“His Eye is on the Sparrow”

Organ Solo: Sandy Parker

**Response*

Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heaven’ly hosts
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Prayer of Dedication (In Unison)*

**Generous God, we share what we have because we wish to serve You
with the best we have to offer. Bless our tithes and offerings that
they**

The Hebrew Bible Lesson

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Pg. 756 (OT)

The Word Interpreted

“Sounds of Silence”

Rev. Robin DeAngelis

**Sending Hymn*

“Abide with Me”

#99

**Benediction*

**Postlude*

“Rock of Ages”

Hastings/Co

**please rise in body or spirit*

Whoever you are, wherever you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome at Spring Hill United Church of Christ.

We pray that you would experience God’s Presence
in our midst as we worship together.

Please sign the attendance pad and pass it along.

WE WELCOME ALL VISITORS.

If you are visiting for the first time today, please stop at the Welcome Table to receive a gift bag.

SERVING TODAY

Music: Sherrie Thurkins

Greeters: Alice & Susan Forsyth

Door Greeter & Offering:

Marcus Ashley and Chuck Corbett

Ushers: Sharron Herzog and Janet Kaesemeyer

Acolyte: Riley Bradley

Liturgist: Patti DiGregorio
