

## REACH OUT IN CHRIST

### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 23, 2018

10:00 AM

Prelude David Matthews

Welcome and Announcements

\*Passing the Peace of Christ

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

**People: but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.**

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

**People: For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

\*Hymn "O Worship the King" (vss. 1-3) 73

\*Opening Prayer

**Father God, we praise you for your love and faithfulness towards us today. We praise you for being a perfect, holy, trustworthy God that is bigger than all the evil we experience here on earth. We ask that you give us eyes to see when evil is before us, hearts to resist evil, and the desire to flee from its presence. Lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil and draw us closer to yourself. We ask for the long-expected Jesus to come among us and make all things new. We ask these things His precious name. Amen.**

The Children's Moment

Jean Ann Lewis

Offertory David Matthews

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology 95

Hymn "God Will Take Care of You" 130

Pastoral Prayer

Choir Anthem "The Power of Your Love" (G. Bullock/J. Holstein)

Scripture Lesson Mark 9:30-37 1229

Sermon "The Evil Disciple" Pastor David

\*Hymn "Only Trust Him" (vss. 1,2,4) 337

\*Benediction

Postlude David Matthews

\*Please stand as you are able

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**\*Altar Flowers** – The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God.

**\*Welcome** – We welcome all who have come to worship today. If you are new here, we would love to support your spiritual journey. We also need your help in ministry! If you are committed to this group of Christ's people, consider making the pledge of membership. *Hearing Assistance Devices* are available. Please ask an usher for help.

**\*Circle of Prayer** – *Church:* Mary Whitaker, Selma Marlowe, Rod Bailey, Aida Weldon, Helen Coast and Marianne Myatt. *Neighbors Near and Far:* Linda Saucier, David Lane, Winnifred Corbett, Maria Brandes, Youth at Joining Hands Mission Church, John Phillips, Avram Kent, Helen MacWhinney, Michael Kesti, Devan Whitaker, and Gracie Stalvey.

*I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"* Jeremiah 11:19

