

TRADITIONAL SERVICE

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 AT 11:05 A.M.

WELCOME AND GREETINGRev. Dr. Emily J. Anderson

THE LIFE OF NEW PROVIDENCE CHURCH

PRELUDE

"Lord Jesus Christ, Our Savior" (Pachelbel)

Peggy Rogers, organist

The prelude marks the beginning of our worship service.

Please use this time for reflection and prayer.

INTROIT

"Alleluia! Laud and Blessing" Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)from Psalm 146

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in worldly rulers,

For they are temporary, their plans will fall apart.

Happy are those whose help and hope is in God,

For God made heaven and earth, and all living things.

God executes justice for the oppressed

and gives food to the hungry,

God sets the prisoners free, and opens the eyes of all.

God watches over those on the margins, the strangers,

the widows and orphans;

And God will reign forever. Praise the Lord!

* HYMN OF PRAISE

"The God of Abraham Praise" 49

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (UNISON).....Louden Young

Almighty God, we confess that we have sided with the rulers,

with those in power, those who have wealth,

those who have sway over the people.

We confess that our ways are not your ways.

We have followed false shepherds who promise the easy way,
instead of the right way.

Forgive us.

Call us into your ways of love, justice, and mercy,
even when it is difficult.

Call us to those on the margins.

Remind us that our own redemption is bound up
in the liberation of others,

for we pray in the name of the One
who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life...

(a moment for confession)

*** DECLARATION OF PARDON AND GLORIA PATRI**..... 581

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.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

 (RESPONSIVE)

Jesus took a little child and put it among them; and
taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes
one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever

welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

In the name of Jesus, we welcome you to this house of
God. We have much to learn from you. We promise that

you will always have a home here.

Let us pray:

**Today is a day we remember how much Jesus loves
children.**

Thank you for the way children bring love to our lives.

**Thank you, God, for the children of our congregation
and community.**

Thank you for the life and hope that children bring.

Thank you that children teach us about your love.

May we be open to their example.

**Thank you, God, that all of us, young and old,
are your children.**

Thank you for being our loving and caring Parent. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME Susan Keller

Children of all ages are invited to the chancel steps for "Children's Time." Children up to four
years of age may go downstairs following Children's Time; children kindergarten age and older
are invited to remain in the Sanctuary. Activity packets are available for elementary age children.

ANTHEM

"With this Water" (Gramann)..... Chancel Choir

Brianna Bakoledis and Abby Tonas, soloists

With this water begins the journey;

With this water, forever claimed.

With this water the Lord now leads you.

With this water, forever changed.

With these vows your loved ones name you.

With these vows your family grows.

With these vows the congregation,

Now surrounds you, God's love to show.

With this water we celebrate now.

With this water let us recall

The baptism of our Savior.

Who laid down His life for all.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 16:19-31

SERMON

"Unwritten"Rev. Dr. Emily J. Anderson

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

"When the Poor Ones"762

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER.....Rev. Gloria Mencer

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,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

"Chorale in G" (Pachelbel) Peggy Rogers, organist

*** DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**.....606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below;

praise God above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* HYMN OF DEDICATION

"God of Grace and God of Glory"307

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

"Amen" Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

"Voluntary in C" (Purcell)..... Peggy Rogers, organist

*Those able, please stand.