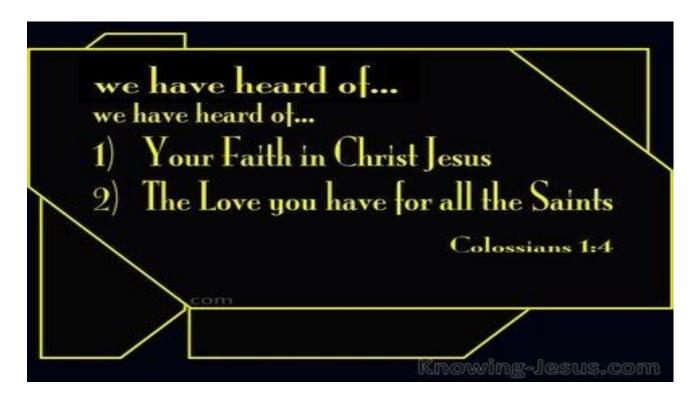
South Avenue/Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Churches July 10, 2022 5th Sunday after Pentecost



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Welcome Visitors: We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us today. If you have questions concerning the service, please feel free to ask an usher or a person sitting near you. If you do not have a permanent church home, please consider joining us. Please ask an usher for one. May God bless your experience in worship with us today. We are here to serve, so please let us know how we might better serve you.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

CELEBRATION THROUGH CENTERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Liturgical Improvisation" George Oldroyd

CHIMES AND BRINGING FORTH THE LIGHT

GATHERING WORDS

Pastor: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

Pastor: It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High, **People:** to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.

Pastor: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and

sona.

Psalm 92:1-2; 95:1-2

CELEBRATION THROUGH ADORATION

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 'Lift Every Voice and Sing' No. 519

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Hajdu: Music is an integral part of the work of the people of God. God's people have

always sung.

Rev. Keller: When the Israelites left Egypt, Moses sang. Rev. Neel: When Samuel was born, Hannah sang.

Rev. Hajdu: When the exiles were in Babylon, they wondered whether their song was

gone. It wasn't. They still sang.

Rev. Keller: The book of Psalms is an ancient song book. The early church included

spiritual songs and hymns with the singing of the Psalms. We have been

singing ever since.

Rv. Neel: Today in our worship of our Triune God we celebrate and honor Janet

Stivanson, the one who makes music in this church a sacred experience.

OPENING PRAYER Rev. Hajdu

Almighty God, You have called us to worship. You have inspired music in the community: words to be written, music to be composed, and people to sing. Stir us to use our talents and voices for your glory. Strengthen our faith through song. Receive, O God, the music and those who make it as a response to your work in Jesus Christ. We pray the songs we sing will carry your message and deepen our faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INTROIT 'Majesty, Worship His Majesty'

No. 176

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM "He Comes to Us" Jane M. Marshall

REFLECTIONS Rev. Hajdu

CELEBRATION THROUGH THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor: O Lord, open our eyes, our ears our minds, and our hearts.

People: that we might behold wondrous things out of your word.

CHORAL RESPONSE 'Thy Word' No. 601 (Refrain only)

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

FIRST LESSON Colossians 1: 1-14 Rev. Keller

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS Rev. Keller

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "How Can I Keep From Singing" Lowry arr. Bullard

PSALTER 'Psalm 98 No. 818 (Response 1) – Rev. Neel

REFLECTIONS Rev. Neel

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 'Alleluia' No. 186

"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia"

Pastor: The Lord be with you, **People:** and also with you.

Pastor: A reading from the Gospel of St. Luke.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

*THE GOSPEL IS READ Luke 19: 25-37

*THE GOSPEL RESPONSE

Pastor: The Gospel of the Living Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 70

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Adagio" Roger Nyquist

CELEBRATION THROUGH PROCLAMATION

SERMON 'We Thank God' Rev. Russel Shuluga

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Finale Jubilante" Healey Willan

CELEBRATION THROUGH COMMITMENT

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Let us be people who bear the fruit of eternal life: loving God with all our heart, with all of our soul, with all of our strength, and with all of our mind; and loving our neighbor as ourselves. Love well and you will live. May we offer God our love.

THE LORD'S OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Ride On, King Jesus" Hall Johnson

*DOXOLOGY No. 95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Bountiful God, your love bears the fruit of hope and grace; your ways lead to fullness of life. Come bless these gifts for the sake of your Kingdom and Your glory. Amen.

CELEBRATION THROUGH SENDING

*BENEDICTION Rev. Hajdu

Be filled with all wisdom and spiritual insight. Lead lives pleasing to the Lord and worthy of our calling. Bear fruit in good works of every kind, as we grow in the knowledge of God. Be strong in the glorious might of the Lord, who gives us power to endure everything with patience and joy. Give thanks to the One who has rescued us from darkness, that we might live forever in the realm of light. Amen!



*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 'Danish Amen' No 898

A-men, a-men, a – men.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" No. 89

*POSTLUDE "Now Thank We All Our God" Bach, arr. Fox

WE TAKE THE LIGHT OF THE CHRIST INTO THE WORLD