

\*THE GOSPEL RESPONSE

Pastor: The Gospel of the Living Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

**CELEBRATION THROUGH PROCLAMATION**

SERMON

‘Paying Attention’

Pastor Russel Shuluga

**CELEBRATION THROUGH COMMITMENT**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

THE LORD’S OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Generous God, you have blessed us throughout our lives. Receive these offerings, and every gift we give, and use them to show others the breadth of your unfailing love. Amen.**

**CELEBRATION THROUGH SENDING**

\*BENEDICTION

Pastor: On the Sabbath, Jesus was teaching in the synagogue, and a crippled woman was healed.

People: **Jesus set her free.**

Pastor: After he touched her, she rose up and praised God.

People: **As we depart today, may God set us free. May we lead lives worthy of our calling, and may your praise be always upon our lips.**



\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

‘Danish Amen’

No 898

*A-men, a-men, a – men.*

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Rescue the Pershing”

No. 591, Vs. 1 & 4

\*POSTLUDE

***WE TAKE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD***

**Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church**

**August 21, 2022**

**11th 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. 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.

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
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**CELEBRATION THROUGH CENTERING**

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CELEBRATION THROUGH ADORATION

\*OPENING HYMN AND BRINGING FORTH THE LIGHT

‘Praise to the Lord, the Almighty’ No. 139 V. 1, 2 & 5

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: With great rejoicing we come to the house of the Lord today!

**People: God is our refuge and our stronghold.**

Pastor: The power and love of God flow through this gathering.

**People: We place our whole trust in God’s mighty compassion for us.**

Pastor: Come, let us worship the Lord!

**People: Let us celebrate the presence of God here in this place and in all our lives.**

### OPENING PRAYER

**Come dear Christ, into this house of worship and into every longing heart. Some who gather here need healing. Touch us and give us strength. Many feel confused by the news of the day. Quiet our minds and help us place our trust in you. Many of us doubt ourselves and question our purpose. Call us anew to be instruments of your grace for a world that yearns to know your peace. Amen.**

### INTROIT

‘Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me’ No. 361 V. 1 & 3

### CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

## CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAYER

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### LITANY OF PRAYER

Pastor: From the troubles of the world and of the nation we come to you, O Lord.

**People: Lord, help us to be agents of peace and hope in these troubled times.**

Pastor: From the strife of city and village, from the politics of deception and fear, we come to you, O Lord.

**People: Lord, help us to discern your love and reconciliation for all people.**

### HYMN

‘Cares Chorus’ TFWS No. 2215

*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.*

Pastor: From the struggles within families and individuals as they strive for healing, we come to you, O Lord.

**People: Lord, help us to listen to your healing words of love and seek ways of peace.**

Pastor: From illness and alienation, from desperation and loneliness, O Lord, we come to you.

**People: Lord, bring us your peace and hope; strengthen us to be your people in loving service to you by serving others.**

### HYMN

‘Cares Chorus’ TFWS No. 2215  
*Repeat As Above*

Pastor: Lord, we cast all our cares upon you.

**People: We lay our burdens down at your feet.**

Pastor: And anytime that we don’t know what to do.

**People: We will cast all our cares upon you.**

Pastor: “Lord, we have come to you this day, place our lives, our burdens, our cares in your loving power. Heal us and strengthen us. Give us courage to serve you all our days. For it is in the name of the Master Healer, Jesus Christ, that we pray. Amen.”

### HYMN

‘Cares Chorus’ TFWS No. 2215  
*Repeat As Above*

### LORD’S PRAYER

## 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

Hebrews 12: 18-29

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### \* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

‘Alleluia’ No. 176  
*“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 13: 10-17