

# Sunday, October 10, 2021 – 10:45 a.m.

- Chiming of the Hour Dr. Gregg Bunn, organist
- A Word of Welcome Dr. Jim Hughes
- Voluntary by Raymond Haan  
"Improvisation on LAUDES DOIMINI"  
Dr. Gregg Bunn, organ
- \*Call to Worship Dr. Jim Hughes  
Leader: God welcomes everyone with open arms.  
**People: No one stands outside of God's circle of mercy and love.**  
Leader: And, so, for this endless, limitless grace ...  
**People: We come to give thanks.**  
Leader: Through the power of Your Spirit, God ...  
**People: Open our eyes to see Your handiwork all around us.**  
Leader: Open our minds to be receptive to Your wisdom.  
**People: Open our mouths to give You praise.**
- \*Processional Hymn 185 LAUDES DOMINI  
"When Morning Gilds the Skies"
- \*Affirmation of Faith Dr. Jim Hughes  
**We belong to God, eternal and infinite, creator of all things and all that is to come.**  
**We follow Jesus Christ, who comes to us from God, and reveals God to us.**  
**He heals people and transforms lives, and calls us to join in His ministry.**  
**He was crucified, died, and was raised again by God, and reigns over all creation;**  
**and He bids us to die and rise with Him in the service of the healing of the world.**  
**We are moved by the Holy Spirit, together with the communion of saints,**  
**as members of the Body of Christ, God's holy universal church.**  
**We are confident in the forgiveness of sin, the power of resurrection, and the reality of eternal life.**  
**In all things it is our desire to follow Christ, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, for God's glory. Amen.**
- \*Gloria Patri 70 MEINEKE  
"Glory Be to the Father"
- Baptismal Covenant Dr. Davis Chappell with Dr. Jim Hughes to assist  
Lucas William Moyer (1/31/19) and Logan Anthony Moyer (6/25/21), children of Leah & Jeremy Moyer  
+ Baptism Slideshow  
**Prayer for the Holy Spirit: The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.**  
**Baptism Slideshow**  
**\*Congregational Covenant with: With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ *that these children*, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**
- \*Response Hymn 611 STUTTART  
"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"  
**Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign;**  
**with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.**  
**Child of God your loving Parent, learn to know whose child you are.**  
**Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.**

South African Video		Dr. Jim Hughes
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Dr. Jim Hughes
*Scripture Reading: Acts 15:1-21 (NRSV)		Meryl Elkins
Sermon	"Empowered to Include" Empowered, Part 10	Dr. Davis Chappell
Offering		Dr. Jim Hughes
Offertory	"Make This Church a Welcome Place" Chancel Choir; Mark Edwards, director	by Joel Raney
*Invitation to Christian Discipleship		Dr. Davis Chappell
*Closing Hymn	"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"	BEECHER
<p><b>Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.</b></p> <p><b>Christ's example, Christ inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth. Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.</b></p> <p><b>Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense, help us bear each others' burdens, breaking down each wall or fence. Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care, bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.</b></p> <p><b>So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life that surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife. Make us partners in our living, or compassion to increase, messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace</b></p>		
*Benediction		Dr. Davis Chappell
*Choral Benediction	"Love One Another" Chancel Choir; Mark Edwards, director	by Barlow Bradford
Postlude	"They'll Know We Are Christians" Dr. Gregg Bunn, organist	arr. Wilbur Held

**Paraments:** GREEN - The color green is employed during this time to symbolize a season of growth and maturity.

**Acolytes:** Jackson Griffin & Larina Alteri

*The chancel flowers are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Robert O. Martin and Edward R. Tietgens given by Marilyn Martin.*

# SERMON REFLECTION

1. What are my biggest take-aways from the sermon?

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2. What is God teaching me?

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3. What from the sermon can I apply to my life this week?

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4. When did I feel most uplifted?

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5. When did I feel most unsettled?

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