



February 12, 2017 11:15 a.m.

Gathering Song #62 "Love the Lord Your God"

Welcome and Living Our Faith

Call to Worship

God has set before us the ways of life and death.

We long to choose life.

God has set before us the ways of hope and despair.

We long to choose hope.

So we gather around Scripture, font, and table,

to feast on the Word and drink from the well of grace.

Let us rejoice in the blessing of our Lord.

Let us worship God!

Inspired by liturgy by Rev. Joanna Harader

Song #410

“God Is Calling through the Whisper”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of the depths and searcher of hearts, you know the tumult of our lives:

a busyness that bruises those nearest, a loneliness that claws at the soul, a fearfulness that leads to distrust.

You know our longing for a more centered life:

time for reflection in prayer, unhurried times with friends and family, opportunities to deepen our faith and witness.

God of our days and our hopes,

help us to let go of the things that pull us from your path.

**Grant us the courage to persist in prayer,
to excel in kindness,
and to walk gently on the earth.**

Heal the wounds we carry, forgive the errors we commit,

and lead us to new life. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Passing of the Peace

Scripture

Deuteronomy 30:11-20

Gen Wallace-Roe and Jim Wilson, Lay Readers

Response (#453, refrain)

Message

“You Choose”

Greg Jones

Song #750

“Goodness Is Stronger than Evil”

Offering

Please sign the blue friendship notebook and pass it to the person next to you.

Ordination and Installation of Elder Kelly McCulloch

Opening Words

There are different gifts,

but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are varieties of ways to serve God,

but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each of us in different ways.

but it is the same God who inspires a faithful response.

Each of us is given gifts by the Spirit, to use for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ.

Constitutional Questions for the Elder

Constitutional Questions for the Congregation

Do we, the members of the church, accept Kelly McCulloch as an elder chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to encourage her, to respect her decisions, and to follow as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

Ordination Prayer

Song #303

“God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian”

Sending

Response #742

“We Will Walk with God”

*Following worship, please join us in the Meeting Room
for coffee, tea, and fellowship.*

We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning. Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our Traditional Service, held in the Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m., includes a choir, organ music and a brief Children’s Message. Our other Service, Living Mosaics, is held in Rodney Chapel at 11:15 a.m. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture and sermon.

Following worship, feel free to make a bouquet to brighten someone’s day. Today’s flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dodson and Eleanor Barineau from their family.

Please remember in your prayers: Peggy Cartmell, Julie Petrovick and Laura Scanlan who were recently hospitalized.

Children are welcome in worship. You will find yellow worship bags for all children at the chapel entrance.

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