

\* POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Luther/Mansfield

\* *You are invited to stand if able.*

**For the Life That You Have Given**

For the life that you have giv-en, for the love in  
Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor,  
with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises;  
heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to  
love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

**Welcome to  
Riverside Presbyterian Church**

October 22, 2017 ~ Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Ask an usher for audio hearing units. ~ Please silence your cell phones.  
Childcare is available for children 1st grade and younger in the upstairs childcare room.



WELCOME

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

*Slavonic Dance #8, Op. 46*

Dvorak

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Each morning, God's grace awakens us,

each evening, God's peace cradles us.

**Compassion is our constant companion,  
as we go through work, school, the day.**

When we find ourselves groping in the shadows,  
God's light will provide a way home.

**We turn the corner, and hope is waiting for us;  
we return home, and find a feast prepared.**

\* HYMN 469

*Morning Has Broken*

\* CALL TO CONFESSION

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Worry and stress are not hard for us, God; we do them without thinking. There is always the potential of threat to our security, our comfort, our health, our relationships, our lives, and we foolishly think that we could silence the fear if we just had enough money, enough insurance, enough toys, enough stored away for a rainy day.**

**It's never enough, though; the voice of our fear will not be dismissed so easily. But, in the small, silent places within us is another voice; one that beckons us into the foolishness of faith, that points our gaze to the birds and the flowers, that, in unguarded moments, lets our muscles relax, and our hearts lean into loved ones; in unexpected whispers we hear it, calling us to remember your promises, your grace, your faithfulness; and, suddenly, we discover that it is enough.**

*Silence is kept.*

\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\* HYMN 579

*Glory Be to the Father*

**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.**

### **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Children are invited forward*

HYMN 498 vs 4

*Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

**Child of God, your loving Parent, Learn to listen for God's call.  
Grow to laugh and sing and worship,  
Trust and love God more than all.**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 99  
Genesis 11:1-9

MEDITATION

*Towers of Power*

\* HYMN 555

*Now Thank We All Our God*

### **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

AN INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Standin' in the Need of Prayer* Spiritual

\* HYMN See reverse side of bulletin *For the Life That You Have Given*

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

\* HYMN 542

*All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night*

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL BENEDICTION