

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION
AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord’s Day, September 28, 2014

The Christian Year: the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM Morning Service	
“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,...who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.” Psalm 103:1-3, 5 [Please observe silence when the prelude begins.]	
Prelude	
Welcome and Announcements	
The Voluntary for Silent Prayer	
*Call to Worship	Psalm 46
Minister:	God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble;
People:	Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea.
Minister:	“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”
People:	The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
Unison:	Come, let us sing and praise our God!
*Hymn of Adoration	No. 457 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer	
Almighty and most merciful God and Father: We are not worthy to have a glimpse of heaven, and are unable with works to redeem ourselves from sin, death, the devil, and hell. For this we rejoice, praise and thank you, O God, for without price and out of pure grace You have granted us this boundless blessing in Your dear Son through whom You take sin, death, and hell from us, and give to us all that belongs to Him. Draw near to us as we seek to draw near to You. Receive our worship for the sake of Him who lay down in the grave and rose again for us, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.	
*Affirmation of Faith	
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Minister:	What is adoption?
People:	Adoption is an act of the free grace of God, in and for his only Son, Jesus Christ, whereby all those that are justified are received into the number of His

children, have His name put upon them, the Spirit of His Son given to them, are under His fatherly care and provision, admitted to all the liberties and privileges of the sons of God, made heirs of all the promises and are fellow-heirs with Christ in glory!

All:	Thanks be to God!
Hallelujah	Tune: Hyfrydol (no. 196)
Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise; He is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed; Over all God reigns forever, through all ages he is King; Unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.	
Psalter Reading (responsive reading, p. 814)	Psalm 84
*Hymn of Praise	No. 184 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Prayers of the People	
(You are encouraged to offer silent prayers after each petition.)	
O Lord, hear us as we pray:	
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.	
Acknowledging Lord, that Your name is majestic in all the earth, we pray that You would, by Your grace:	
Enable us to know You, worship You, and glorify You; and with our lips offer You the praise due Your name; and with our lives offer You the obedience worthy of Your name.	
O Lord, hear us as we pray:	
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.	
Acknowledging that we live in a fallen world, we pray that You would, by Your grace:	
Destroy the kingdom of Satan; remove from our society all that dishonors You; and build Your beloved Church in obedience to Your will.	
O Lord, hear us as we pray:	
Give us this day our daily bread.	
Acknowledging that all we have is a gift from You, beginning with our salvation, and that You have promised fatherly provision for Your true children, we pray that You would, by Your grace:	
Grant to us from this earth’s goods what is necessary for life and godliness, with contentment, and hear our prayers for the needs of our family and friends.	
O Lord, hear us as we pray:	
Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.	
Acknowledging that we are all by nature guilty sinners, and that we could never repay the debt, we pray that You would, by Your grace:	
Pardon all our trespasses and sins, grant us the assurance of Your forgiveness and love, and enable us to forgive others from our hearts.	
O Lord, hear us as we pray:	
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.	

Acknowledging that the world, our flesh, and the devil are ready to draw us from You, and that in our weakness we are susceptible to every temptation, we pray that You would, by Your grace:	
Help us watch and pray that we do not enter into temptation, quicken our hearts that we may seek first Your righteousness, and restore to us the joy of our salvation.	
O Lord, hear us as we pray:	
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.	
Acknowledging that You alone are eternally sovereign, powerful and glorious, we pray that You would, by Your grace:	
Receive our requests, as we offer them, with thanksgiving, in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.	
Pastoral Prayer	
Words of Encouragement	
Minister:	I waited patiently for the Lord; He inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord. Psalm 40:1-3
Unison:	Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
*Hymn of Preparation	SH 4 Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken
Worship of God Through Tithes and Offerings	
*Doxology	No. 733
Let all things their Creator bless; And worship Him in humbleness; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise, Praise the Father, praise the Son; And praise the Spirit, three in one; O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia.	
*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication	
*Reading of The Holy Scriptures	Romans 16:17-20, 25-27
*The Prayer for Illumination	
Sermon	Rev. Mike Malone “SOON...AND VERY SOON!”
*Hymn of Response	No. 94 How Firm a Foundation
*The Benediction	
Postlude	
*Denotes congregational standing, if able.	
6:00 PM Gathering for Prayer	