# ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### **September 11, 2016**

10:30 a.m.

\* Stand if you are able

**Bold:** Said by all

Musical Prelude:

#### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

\* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements:

## **Call to Worship** (responsive):

Everyone who serves God come and offer thanks.

Thank you God for your love to me.

Everyone who has gathered in this place, lift your hands and praise God.

Thank you God for your love in this place.

Shout praises to God for you are God's servants, so shout praises.

Thank you God for your love to others.

All who serve in this place, who serve our God, come and shout praises.

Thank you God for your love that we can share.

Praise the name of our God who is kind and good.

Thank you God for your love endures forever.

#### **Prayer of Approach:**

#### **Prayer of Confession (unison):**

Lord, we gather together each Sabbath to celebrate what you have done for us, and to ask you to do more. While we do think of others, often their needs are secondary to our own. This is against the teachings and actions of your Son, who taught and demonstrated that his role was as a servant, as so too should we be. Soften our hearts and open our eyes to the needs of others, show us how to serve others and by doing so represent Christ to them. Amen.

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#### **Assurance of Pardon:**

#### **Sharing the Peace of Christ**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

**Choir Anthem:** "As Water To The Thirsty" (N.B.P. #688)

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

<sup>\*</sup> Gathering Hymn: "One More Step Along The World I Go" (N.B.P. #641)

<u>Prayer for Illumination</u> (unison): Light of the world, illumine our hearts. Create in us a clear space for your word to take root, to grow into an active faith. We hunger for your word, and for your presence. Amen.

#### **Scriptures:**

Responsive Reading from Psalm 51

Revelation 21:1-7

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

\*Children's Hymn: "I Am The Church" (N.B.P. #475)

Children's Story

(Grade 9 & under leave for Sunday School)

# SERMON: "What Is The Church Part 1: The Times They Are a Changin'"

Silent Reflection

#### WE RESPOND WITH GRATEFUL COMMITMENT

\* Hymn of Response: "The Church's One Foundation" (N.B.P. #479)

(verses 1,2,3,5)

- \* The Apostles' Creed:
- \* Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory
- \* Doxology, Prayer of Dedication (N.B.P. #661)

Prayers of The People and The Lord's Prayer

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- \* Parting Hymn: "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less" (N.B.P. #349)
- \* Benediction:
- \* Exit of the Word Musical Postlude