ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 24th Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday

November 4th, 2018

* Stand if you are able

Bold: Said by all

All hymns, scriptures and congregational prayers are projected. Musical Prelude

CALL TO WORSHIP

* Entry of the Word Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn: "Here In This Place/Gather Us In" (Ma

(Marty Haugen)

(projected)

Prayer of Approach:

Prayer of Confession (in unison): Holy God, giver of all good things, we have failed to live in thanksgiving for Earth, for our families, for neighbors, and for strangers, for the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the soil that grows our food.

Forgive us for sins against you, your creation, and our neighbors, through disobedience to your will in word and deed.

Teach us to love the way of blamelessness and to be happy in your steadfast love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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Assurance of Pardon: Sharing the Peace of Christ: 10:30 AM

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

Choir Anthem: "Many Gifts, One Spirit"

(Mary Lynn Lightfoot)

(#630)

*Children's Hymn: "When We Are Living" Children's Story (Children & Worship and Paul's People leave for Sunday School)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination (in unison):

Through your Word, O God, let your Holy Spirit open our insight, remove our ignorance, kindle our zeal, and bind us to you, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture: Ruth 1:1-18; Psalm 146; Mark 12:28-34 One: This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God



Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response: "Sing Praise to God on Mountain Tops" (#322)

* <u>Declaration of Faith</u>: "The Immigrants' Creed" from The Book of Common Worship: 2018 Edition (in unison)

I believe in Almighty God,

who guided the people in exile and in exodus, the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of foreigners and immigrants.

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I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean,

who was born away from his people and his home,

who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger, and returning to his own country suffered the oppression of the tyrant Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power, who then was persecuted, beaten, and finally tortured, accused and condemned to death unjustly. But on the third day, this scorned Jesus rose from the dead, not as a foreigner but to offer us citizenship in heaven. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races.

I believe that the church is the secure home for the foreigner and for all believers who constitute it, who speak the same language and have the same purpose. I believe that the communion of the saints begins when we accept the diversity of the saints.

I believe in the forgiveness of sin, which makes us all equal, and in reconciliation, which identifies us more than does race, language, or nationality.

I believe that in the resurrection God will unite us as one people in which all are distinct and all are alike at the same time.

Beyond this world, I believe in life eternal in which no one will be an immigrant but all will be citizens of God's kingdom, which will never end. Amen.

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Invitation to Offering	
Prayer of Dedication	
Prayers of the People	
Lord's Prayer	
SENDING	
* Parting Hymn: "Just As I Am"	(#682)
* Benediction:	
* "Go Now in Peace"	
* Exit of the Word	Musical Postlude