

September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
19<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE:** As the Deer

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**QUIET HYMN: One Bread One Body #620**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**\*HYMN: Blessed Assurance #369**

***CENTERING FOR WORSHIP***

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We are called as children of God, who calls us each by name, and gathers us together in the one family of Jesus Christ.

**P: From classroom and kitchen and carpool, we are called into God's presence. Young and old and middle-aged, individuals and families, softspoken and outspoken, we hear our names being called to join in worship.**

L: My friends, we are called to lives of prayerful awareness of ourselves, of our community, and of the world.

**P: We gather to praise the living God, who hears and answers the outpouring of our prayers.**

L: May we be awakened to the voice of Christ who calls us to faithfulness.

**P: May our faith be seen in using God's resources and grace in serving the world. Amen**

**\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Holy One, you welcome us into your wide embrace of grace, again and again. As you open your arms to hold our hearts with tender loving-kindness, you invite us to do the same. Open our ears as you call us again to welcome the stranger, the foreigner, the lonely, the outcast, and the weak. Open our hearts to welcome each precious child, just as you have welcomed us. Amen.

Baptism Rory John Arceneaux (See pg. 38 Hymnal - #16)

***PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD***

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8

Mark 9:30-37

**\*HYMN: Jesu, Jesu #432**

**THE WORD OF GOD EXPLORED**

Pastor Joel Holcomb

***GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD***

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR**

**COMMUNION** (See pg. 15 Hymnal – Table III)

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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: Just a Closer Walk with Thee #2158**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE: My Life Is in You Lord**

*\*Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.*

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