

Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

9:15 am - September 9, 2018

We Gather Together

Prelude

Entrance of the Light of Christ

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Season of Creation

One: We invite the mountains to worship with us:

All: **mighty boulders and deep forests, sliding glaciers and swirling snow.**

One: We invite the wild to join us in wonder:

All: **gliding eagles and mountain goats,**

One: We join with the mountain creatures in praising God:

All: **leaping trout and crawling creatures, exotic orchids and honey bees.**

One: We call the depths of the mountains to celebrate:

All: **Precious gems and sparkling stones, volcanic lava and rich red ore.**

One: We enter the mountain of God today:

All: **and we worship in God's presence, a sacred place on our planet.**

One: We celebrate the song of the mountain!

All: **Sing, Mountain, sing!**

We name, silently or aloud, other creatures or parts of Mountain and invite them to join us in praising our Creator.

One: We celebrate the song of the mountain!

All: **Sing! Mountain! Sing!**

*Hymn #657

This Is the Day

Children's Blessing

Chancel Choir

Creation Sings

We Receive the Word

Scripture

Psalm 125

Season of Creation: Mountain Sunday

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

We Respond to the Word

*Hymn #152

Sing the Almighty Power of God

Offering Gifts to God and the World

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

Gonna Build a Mountain

*Doxology #64

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy Architect of the Universe! You, Lord, created the earth and the oceans, shaped with your hands and your breath; you raised up the mountains and made the valleys low. The beauty you have captured on the canvas of creation we have covered with monuments to our desire to consume and acquire without regard to your call in our lives to be good stewards of the world. As we offer our gifts this morning, may they mark our resolve to be more faithful stewards of the resources of this precious planet. We pray in the name of Christ, our example and our healer. Amen.

We Go Forth Into the World

*Hymn #133

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

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**Please stand as you are able or comfortable.*

Our Mission is to build a Christian community with all people.

Our vision: by 2018, Wesley Park will strive to inspire from the youngest to the oldest and everybody in between to live out the greatest commandment: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.

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9:15 am Worship Servants:

- ☀ **Greeters:** Nancy Chambers, Freddi Angus, Betty Stoutjesdyk
- ☀ **Ushers:** Ken & Linda McKenney, Dennis Strong, Deb Hodges
- ☀ **Acolytes:** Avery and Harper Terry
- ☀ **Nursery:** Skyler Maitner, Jessica Hughes (9:15), Laura Reidel (11am)
- ☀ **Sound Tech:** Jeff Brink
- ☀ **Information Desk:** Jane Johnson
- ☀ **Musicians:** Sara Kropp, Adrienne Prentiss, Dave Strumfeld

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