

# Wesley Park United Methodist Church

10 am Proper 15

August 14, 2016

## We Gather Together

### **Prelude**

(Mozart, Mason/Johnson) **His Matchless Worth**

### **Greeting**

### **\*Call to Worship**

One: Like the sun that is far away and yet close at hand to warm us, so God's Spirit is ever present around us. Come, Creator, into our lives. We live and move and have our very being in you. Open now the windows of our souls. Amen.

### **\*Hymn 437**

*This Is My Song*

### **Children's Blessing**

### **Prayer of Intercession**

## We Receive the Word

### **Prayer of Preparation**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Scripture**

**Hebrews 12:1-2**

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

### **\*Hymn 593**

*Here I Am, Lord*

### **Sermon**

**Rev. Dean N. Prentiss**

## We Respond to the Word

**Gift of Music, Keith Warren**

**How Great Thou Art**

### **Youth Mission Trip Celebration**

**Words from our Director of Youth Ministries**

**Our Witness to the Love of Christ in Mission**

Kayla, Lauren, Skyler, Teá, Tristin, Jackie

### **A Video Celebration**

### **Offering our Lives to Serve Christ**

**Stewardship Celebration and Invitation**

**Offertory**

(Lemmel/DeCou) **Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus**

### **\*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**

God of All, we are so thankful for this opportunity to give. Our joy is tempered by the knowledge that so many of your children suffer. Multiply these gifts so that those oppressed by injustice may experience your care. Awaken us so that our need to act faithfully against all injustice is reflected in how we speak and how we serve. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

## We Take the Word into the World

### **\*Hymn 671**

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*

### **\*Blessing**

May the presence of God the Creator give you strength; May the presence of God the Redeemer give you peace; May the presence of God the Sustainer give you comfort; May the presence of God the Sanctifier give you love. Amen.

### **Postlude**

(Nearing) **Ye Shall Go Out with Joy**

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

### Ministering Today - 10 am

Greeters	Betty Stoutjesdyk, Freddi Angus, Nancy Chambers
Acolyte	Landon Terry
Ushers	Dennis Strong, Ken Mckenney, Linda Mckenney
Musician	Liz Montcastle
Sound Tech	Anna Spencer
Video Tech	Brad Jeltema
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Child Advocate	Phyllis Prentiss

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