

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

September 18th, 2022

“15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST”

Liturgical Color – Green



DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TODAY'S CENTERING MEDITATION

*This is good and pleases God our Savior,
who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth.
There is one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity
— the man Christ Jesus.*

(1 Timothy 2:3-5 ... NLT)

* Please stand in stature or in heart as you are able.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rock of Ages

Thomas Hastings arr. by Joel Raney

OPENING PRAYER

* CALL TO WORSHIP

How long, O Lord?

**We look upon our world, our neighborhoods,
our families, and see suffering and want.**

How long, O Lord?

**We see deep suffering, brutal violence,
destroyed homes, and ravaged nations.**

How long, O Lord?

**Let your compassion come quickly to meet us,
for we are brought low.**

How long, O Lord?

Help us, O God of our salvation!

Help us, O Source of our hope!

* *Behold a Broken World*

426 (tune # 378 – Amazing Grace)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOLLOWED BY MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

God of truth and God of grace,

**we confess that too often we are nondescript Christians,
rarely very wicked and too often not very loving.**

**We drift along in the stream of life,
sharing the general indifference and the common selfishness.**

We make friends with the culture, following Christ rather timidly, from afar.

**For this our share in community evil, we seek your healing mercy,
and for our many private faults and static faith we beg your forgiveness.**

Through Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen!

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

Jesus Loves the Little Children

***Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.***

CHILDREN'S CHAT

* *Lord of All Hopefulness*

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* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* *Glory Be to the Father*

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MISSION MOMENTS

Shoemaker HUB

Sally Kennard

TIME OF PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

(from the ritual of the former Methodist Church)

**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.**

GOD'S WORD:

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

(The Liturgist says: "This is the Word of God for ALL people" ... AND ... the People respond: "Thanks BE to God"

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"THE ONE WE CAN TURN TO"

THREE THINGS WE PRAY

Richard of Chichester, England, 13th century

**Thanks be to thee, O Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits which thou hast given us;
for all the pains and insults which thou hast borne for us.
O most merciful Redeemer, friend, and brother,
may we know thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
and follow thee more nearly,
for thine own sake. Amen.**

* *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

479 (tune # 399 – Take My Life, and Let It Be)

* BENEDICTION

* *I Am Thine, O Lord*

419 (verses 1, 2)

***"If you want to be like Jesus –
you must have a heart for the whole world."***

~ Unknown~