September 16, 2018
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

9 a.m. Celebration Service

You are encouraged to use the time of music being played
in the Centering to quietly prepare yourself for worship.
We request that you silence your cell phone.

Centering for Worship Be Thou My Vision Matt Hyzer

Welcome Rev. Cynthia E. Skripak
Please refer to the announcements in the bulletin. Please take a moment to sign the welcome card in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Gathering Words

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

***Call to Worship**

Leader: When our minds are full of noise and clatter,
People: Your peace is just a breath away.
Leader: When we are weary and bored,
People: The wonders of your creation invite us to fall silent with awe.
Leader: So many times you call,
People: And we refuse to listen.
Leader: May our worship open our hearts to your call
People: A call that draws us into life. Amen.

***Praise Songs** Lord, I Lift Your Name on High Songbook #151
How Great Is Our God projected

Sacrament of Baptism Zellie Joanna Laba Red Hymnal page 39
(Children are invited to come closer to the front to see the Baptism and bring their offering for the plate. Following the Baptism, children age Preschool through 3rd grade are dismissed to go with their teachers to Sunday School)

Child of Blessing *(seated)* Red Hymnal #611

***Passing the Peace** *Please greet each other by saying "Peace be with you."*

***Song** Alleluia, Alleluia (stanza 4) Red Hymnal #162

Sharing the Faith

Prayer and Lord's Prayer Red Hymnal #895

Gospel Reading Mark 8:27-38 Pew Bible pg. 41 N.T.

Message Words With Friends Rev. Cynthia E. Skripak
(After the message, children grades 4th and 5th are dismissed to sing with the Children's Singing Troupe.)

***Song** Better Is One Day Songbook #23

The Offering

Offertory 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus Marianne Kim

***Response** Honor and Praise Black Hymnal #2018

***Offertory Prayer**

***Song** Celebrate the Lord of Love Songbook #32

***Benediction**

***Carrying Out the Light**

***Going Forth** Jesus Saves! Heather Sorenson

**Please stand if you are able*