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Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 & 10:30 AM

If you are a guest, thank you for worshiping with us today. We invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.

We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back of the sanctuary where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We also have nursery care downstairs during our 10:30 AM worship service. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

We pray God's blessing upon you. For today's service, we will be using the black hymnal.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Lord, Humbly I Come to Thee Now

by Pace

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

P: We see people who try to be faithful, even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.

L: We look in the mirror and how do we see?

P: We see with hearts which are open to God's love, with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence tells us not to be so foolish.

L: We look in the mirror and who do we see?

P: We see Jesus, the One who struggles with the questions we raise, who models faithfulness for all who would follow.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 416** (black hymnal)

I Will Trust in the Lord

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

ALL: We stand before you, Saving God, stripped of our pretensions and pride, for nothing we do or say, or do not, can be hidden from you. You hear the angry words we preach to ourselves; you sift through the rubble of hurts we have caused; you see how we stumble, weighed down by all that 'stuff' which keeps us from following Jesus. We worry about things we cannot change. We wonder if you are even there at all. For all the times we have doubted you, Lord, forgive us. We stand before you, Holy Grace. As you empty our hands of that wealth of unneeded things we cling so tightly to, fill them with your grace and hope. There is no one else we can turn to for help. As we let go of all which might hold us back, give us the trust to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into that life with which he offers to each of us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2162 (v. 1 & refrain, see p. 5)

Grace Alone

ALL SING: Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith, every difference we will make is only by his grace. Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we shine, every blessing left behind is only by his grace. Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown he will provide. Christ in us our Cornerstone; we will go forth in grace alone.

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

SCRIPTURE

Job 38: 1-7, 34-41

MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 467 (UM Hymnal, see p. 4)

Trust and Obey

(10:30 AM) **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

*Judy Cornelius, Mark Zortman, Joan Zortman, Marty, Kelly, & Joseph Grimm,
Emma Kedzierski, & Karen McCarthy*

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

(10:30 AM) **WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM** *Let Us Serve Him* by Besig/Price

OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* by Gretzy

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 780 (black hymnal) *Doxology*

ALL SING: Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, & Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***CLOSING HYMN NO. 417** (black hymnal) *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

*BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE** *Bless Us, Dear Lord, We Pray* by Moore

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Trust and Obey

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E♭ B♭7 E♭ B♭ E♭ A♭

1 When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word, what a glo-ry he
 2 Not a bur-den we bear, not a sor-row we share, but our toil he will
 3 But we nev-er can prove the de-lights of his love un-til all on the
 4 Then in fel-low-ship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his

E♭ B♭ E♭ B♭7 E♭ B♭

sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he a-bides with us
 rich-ly re-pay; not a grief nor a loss, not a frown nor a
 al-tar we lay; for the fa-vor he shows and the joy he be-side
 side in the way; what he says we will do, where he sends we will

Refrain

E♭ A♭ E♭ B♭7 E♭ B♭ E♭

still, and with all who will trust and o-bey.
 cross, but is blest if we trust and o-bey.
 stows are for them who will trust and o-bey. Trust and o-bey, for there's
 go—nev-er fear, on-ly trust and o-bey.

C Fm B♭7 E♭ B♭7 E♭

no oth-er way to be hap-py in Je-sus, but to trust and o-bey.

WORDS: John H. Sammis (1846-1919)
 MUSIC: Daniel B. Towner (1850-1919)

TRUST AND OBEY
 6.6.9.D.Ref.

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Grace Alone



1. Ev - 'ry prom - ise we can make, ev - 'ry prayer and step of faith;

5 Am G/F F C/E F² Dm⁷ G^{sus} G



Ev - 'ry dif - frence we will make is on - ly by His grace.

9 C C^{sus}/D C/E Am C/G G/F C C^{sus}/D C/E F G



Ev - 'ry moun - tain we will climb, ev - 'ry ray of hope we shine;

13 Am F²(#4) F C/E F² Dm⁷ G^{7sus} G⁷ C C^{sus}/D C/E



Ev - 'ry bless - ing left be - hind is on - ly by His grace. Grace a -

CHORUS 1a

17 F G²/B C C^{sus}/D C/E F G²/B



-lone which God sup - plies, strength un - known He will pro -



-vide, Christ in us our Cor - ner - stone; We will go forth in grace a -

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-lone.

One vase of altar flowers is presented in honor of Natalie Behrend's birthday by Natalie & Tony Behrends.

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The bulletins are presented in honor of the 2nd birthday of our great-granddaughter, Haidyn Bailey, by Don & Diane Strine.

Thank you to Pam Shervin for accompanying the hymns on the guitar at the 8 AM service today. Thank you to the Worship Choir for participating in the 10:30 AM service today.

Thank you to the October Worship Team for planning today's worship. The October Worship Team members are Elaine Bevivino, Suzanne Skenonnto, Guy & Marty Wenck, and Pastor Dani.

We offer a hearing assistance system called *Listen Technologies*. If you would like to use a receiver, please check with the volunteers at the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

8 AM Welcome Team: Diane Strine, Dan Kinard, Barry & Nancy Schwartz

8 AM Sound Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

8 AM Hall Monitor: Carol Bair

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Alan Neff

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Barb Stebbins, Jim Shiffer, Tori Everhart, & Jim Beyer

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Ron Miles

10:30 AM Video Tech: George DeMers

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Ryan Neal

10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Dave Bailey

10:30 AM Nursery: Missy Kiefer & Sandy King

WOW Kids: Kathy Sweeney

¹<http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/2015/10/liturgy-wcommunion-for-october-11-20115.html>

²The prayer of confession is compiled through excerpts from www.ministrymatters.com, worship resources for Oct. 11, 2015 and <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/2015/10/liturgy-wcommunion-for-october-11-20115.html>

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I Will Trust in the Lord

416

African-American traditional

Ps. 37:3

1 I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord.
2 I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right, I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right, I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right, I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right.

3
Lord, I will trust in the Lord, till I die.
right, I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right, till I die.

I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord.
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3
Lord, I will trust in the Lord, till I die.
right, I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right, till I die.

One use of this traditional song has been in African-American churches, where someone giving a testimony would raise a verse or two, and be joined by the congregation in singing. Then the person would build a testimony upon the hymn's thematic language.

Tune: TRUST IN THE LORD Irr.
African-American traditional
Arr. Jeffrey Radford, 1993

This Is a Day of New Beginnings

2 Cor. 5:16-17

Brian Wren, 1978; rev. 1983

Unison

1 This is a day of new be - gin - nings, time to re -
 2 For by the life and death of Je - sus, God's might - y
 3 Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing, step from the
 4 Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us to show and
 * In faith we'll gath - er 'round the ta - ble to taste and

mem - ber and move on, time to be - lieve what love is
 Spir - it, now as then, can make for us a world of
 past and leave be - hind our dis - ap - point - ment, guilt, and
 share what love can do. This is a day of new be -
 share what love can do. This is a day of new be -

bring - ing, lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
 dif - ference, as faith and hope are born a - gain.
 griev - ing, seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
 gin - nings— our God is mak - ing all things new.
 gin - nings— our God is mak - ing all things new.

*Alternate fourth stanza for Holy Communion

Brian Wren wrote this hymn in 1978 for a New Year's Day service in Oxford, England. The music is by the editor of two hymnals of the United Methodist Church and was composed for the original Wren text.

Tune: BEGINNINGS 9.8.9.8.
 Carlton R. Young, 1987