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**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 23, 2018**

**11:00 AM**

**PRELUDE**

"Gavotta"  
"Jesus Is All the World to Me"

Alandel  
Southbridge

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**WE APPROACH GOD**  
"This is the Day"  
Chancel Choir

Hopson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 1:1-2, 6

Happy are the people

**who do not follow the advice of the wicked  
or take the path that they follow,  
or sit in the seat of people who make fun of others.**

Their delight is in the law of the Lord,

**and they meditate on God's law day and night.**

The Lord watches over the way of the righteous,

**but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 459**

"O Word of God Incarnate"

Munich

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of wisdom, forgive our foolishness. Because we want what we do not need and hurt our relationships with envy. You urge us to be gentle, but we often are quick to stir up conflict. Help us, and forgive us, we ask. Teach us to live by the abundance of your grace so we may produce goodness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*ACT OF PRAISE**

"Surely the Presence"

L. Wolfe

***Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;  
I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.  
I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;  
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.***

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**GOSPEL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg

*(Following the time with children, our young people through kindergarten age, may be excused to childcare)*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Your word is a light for our path, and a lamp to guide our steps.  
Send out your light and truth, and let us be led by them. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Psalm 1, OT 489

Mark 9:30-37, NT 45

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

"What Serving Reveals"

Teaching Elder James Bernhardt

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION**

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 730** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

Grand Isle

**CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY**

**INVITATION TO PRAYER**

"Prepare Our Hearts"  
Chancel Choir

Butler

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts)**

## RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

Offertory Anthem "Blessed Is The Man" Marshall  
Chancel Choir

\*Offertory Response "All Things are Thine" Duke Street

***Thy will was in the builder's thought; Thy hand unseen amidst us wrought;  
Through mortal motive, scheme, and plan, Thy wise eternal purpose ran.***

## \* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 727 "The Servant Song" The Servant Song

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Let Us Now Depart in Peace" Butler  
Chancel Choir

\*POSTLUDE " You Shall Go Out With Joy!" Wagner

\*Please rise in body or spirit

**Bold lettering** is to be read responsively by the congregation

***Bold lettering that is italicized*** is to be sung by the congregation

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