

# MORNING WORSHIP

September 5, 2021

Half past Ten O'Clock

## Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.  
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE Prelude on *Union Seminary* Charles Callahan

INTROIT "God is Here!" ABBOT'S LEIGH

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 143

Leader: Let me hear of Your steadfast love in the morning, for in You I put my trust.

**Congregation: Teach me the way I should go, for to You I lift up my soul.**

Leader: Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God.

**Congregation: Let Your good spirit lead me on a level path.**

**All: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.**

+\*HYMN 469 "Morning Has Broken" BUNESSAN

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Holy God, although we honor You with our words and worship, our hearts are often far from You.**

**We are quick to judge, quick to exclude, quick to put others down instead of building them up.**

**Forgive us, God. Help us amend our ways. Help us embrace the inclusive love You graciously offer us and expect us to offer others. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Micah 7:12-19

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

**Congregation: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

\*SUNG RESPONSE 203 (Verses 1 and 4) "God of Mercy, God of Grace" IMPACT

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, elementary children are invited to the Chapel.  
Younger children are invited to the Chapel with a parent anytime.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 5:13-16, pew Bible, p. 880

SERMON "Salt and Light" Ashlee Anderson

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*HYMN 327 "O Word of God Incarnate" MUNICH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS	Text to Give	704-734-9818
OFFERTORY ANTHEM	“Siyahamba” Translation: “We are Marching”	Zulu Folk Hymn

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592) OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

**Gracious God, everything we have comes from You. You fill us with good things. Our hearts and lives overflow with Your abundance. With thanksgiving, we bring to You our time, talents, and tithes. Use these gifts that You have given us to feed others as we have been fed, to serve others as we have been served, and to bless others as we have been blessed, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

*HYMN 525	“Here I Am, Lord”	HERE I AM, LORD
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		
*CHORAL RESPONSE	“Go With Us, Lord”	TALLIS’ CANON
*POSTLUDE	<i>Postludio Festivo</i>	Sigfrid Karg-Elert

\*Those who are able please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

## SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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