



— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR —
Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost
— ELEVEN O’CLOCK —

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE DAY
Exodus 16:2-15 Philippians 1:21-30
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 Matthew 20:1-16

LIVESTREAM MINISTRY

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NEXT SUNDAY’S PREACHER will be The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Evans

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Ernst Richter (1808-1879)
“Straf’ mich nicht in deinem Zorn, *op.29, no.1*”
Keith S. Tóth, *organist*

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

Leoni
“The God of Abraham Praise”
(See sheet music at the end of this bulletin)

PRAYER OF ADORATION THROUGH PEACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin. We dismiss the prophets You send and ignore Your call to service. We waste Your gift of Sabbath and reject Your offer of healing. Forgive us, God of grace. Let us approach You again with reverence and with awe, giving thanks for Your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Evans
“To Know and To See”

“Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.”
— *Philippians 3:13-14*

THE RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from a *Brief Affirmation of Faith*)

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth
Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)
“Lord God of Abraham” (*Elijah, op. 70*)
Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, this day let it be known that Thou art God, and that I am Thy servant! Lord God of Abraham! Oh shew to all this people that I have done these things according to Thy word. Oh hear me, Lord, and answer me! Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, oh hear me and answer me, and shew this people that Thou art Lord God. And let their hearts again be turned! — *I Kings 18:30, 36, 37*
Nathaniel Sullivan, baritone

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND PETITION

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray...

THE SENDING

HYMN

Crucifer
“Lift High the Cross”
(See sheet music at the end of this bulletin)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019)
“Flourish for an Occasion”
Keith S. Tóth, *organist*

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The God of Abraham Praise

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Daniel ben Judah, 1404
Trans. Max Landsberg and Newton Mann, 1885; alt.

Hebrew melody
Adapt. Thomas Olivers
and Meyer Lyon, 1770

1. The God of A-braham praise, Who reigns en-throned a - bove;
2. Your spir - it still flows free, High surg - ing where it will;
3. You have e - ter - nal life Im - plant - ed in the soul;

The an - cient of e - ter - nal days, The God of love!
In proph-et's word You spoke of old And You speak still.
Your love shall be our strength and stay, While a - ges roll.

The Lord, the great I Am, By earth and heaven con - fessed,
Es - tab - lished is Your law, And change-less it shall stand,
We praise You, liv - ing God! We praise Your ho - ly name;

We bow be - fore Your ho - ly name, For - ev - er blest.
Deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, On sea, or land.
The first, the last, be - yond all thought, And still the same!

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Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER 10.10 with refrain

George William Kitchin (1827-1912)
Rev. by Michael Robert Newbolt, 1916; alt.
Refrain and Descant

Sidney Hugo Nicholson, 1916
Desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.
Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name. *Fine*

1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
2. Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain
The Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died.
Your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.