Mentor United Methodist Church
Order of Worship

October 7, 2018
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

The liturgical color is white, signifying the purity, holiness and virtue of Christ, as well as respect and reverence.

GATHERING

Prelude
“Song of Devotion”                      Robert J. Hughes
Amy Bender, organist

Lighting of the Candles

Presentation of God’s Holy Word
Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew. If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Welcome & Announcements

* Call to Worship (Psalm 90:1-2, 10-11)                                  Kate Colbow, Liturgist
Leader:     Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations
People:     Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole
world, from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.
Leader:     The years of our life quickly pass and we fly away
People:     Teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

* Prayer (unison)
Creator God, we exist because you have desired us to be. Let our lives be a reflection of all you are and all Your Will has designed for this world. Through Jesus Christ, the Word Made Flesh, we pray, Amen.
* Opening Hymn 152  “I Sing the Almighty Power of God”       FOREST GREEN

Anthem  9:00    “Celebrate with Ringing”   Michael Mazzatenta
          Canticle Bells

11:00    “In Christ Alone”     arr. Lloyd Larson
          Chancel Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Reading     New Testament page 750     John 1:1-14
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

            “Love Ultimately Wins”

Response to the Word
Lord, forgive us for preferring the darkness over the light. Take away our love of sinning, we pray, and enable us to live into the right to be children of God, given to us by your Son, Jesus Christ. Let us see your glory and show that glory to others in how we live, Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer
   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 trespasses
   as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory  9:00    “Just As I Am”   Sandra Eithun
            Canticle Bells

11:00    “The One”     Craig Courtney
          Chancel Choir

* Doxology
   Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
   Praise God, all creatures here below;
   Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
   Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
   Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* Prayer of Dedication
   THANKSGIVING

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Service of Holy Communion

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn 61    “Come Thou Almighty King”       ITALIAN HYMN

* Pastoral Benediction

* Postlude  “Glory to God”       Gerald Peterson

* Members of the congregation stand if able.