The liturgical color is green for the 15th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Eucharistia" Amy Bender, organ Hans Leo Hassler

WELCOME

Adrienne Larkin, liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: For the believer, the phrase "mount up with wings like eagles"

C: is a reminder of God's power and his promise.

L: God promises to help us in times of need.

C: It is a call to

L: rise above the difficulties of life,

C: to find strength in hardship,

L: and to trust in the divine assistance that is always available.

C: We are capable of rising above our circumstances and achieving great things.

*OPENING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" UMH 154 Hymn History: The words to this hymn were written by Oliver Holden. He was born in 1765 in Shirley, Massachusetts. He served during the final year of the Revolutionary War (1782–1783) as a Marine. Holden was a carpenter as well as a real estate dealer. His real passion was music and in 1791 he became the leader of the choir at First Baptist Church in Boston. He started several music schools in the Boston area. Holden also helped establish two different Baptist Churches in Charlestown, Ma. He wrote the words and music to an ode welcoming George Washington to the. State Capitol in 1789. His tune CORONATION is the basis for the music to this hymn. Holden published a book of his sacred music entitled The American Harmony in 1793. He died in Charleston, Ma. in 1844.

OPENING PRAYER

O, How Great Thou Art, Your power is throughout the universe displayed! Almighty God, as we gather to lift you high, we remember our world today. While we are happy and joyful in spirit, our world is in constant disarray. Lord, guide our efforts to serve you first and keep your holy word. Bless us, O Lord, with Your grace and favor so that we would enjoy all of your creation. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC "Order My Steps" Choral Setting by Jack Schrader Laurie Babcock, Karen Pribula, Karen Nemelka

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

FAITH IN ACTION

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "People Need the Lord" arr. John Purifoy

*DOXOLOGY #94

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

God in Heaven, we present these our gifts to your church. Guide this ministry so that the world is better because of our benevolence. All things come of Thee. O Lord, and of Thine own have we given back to Thee. Amen.

*HYMN OF CENTERING

"Give to the Winds Thy Fear"

UMH 129

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 5:16-21, p. 818

MESSAGE

"Children's Books Series: Fly, Eagle, Fly" Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith

HOLY COMMUNION UMH 12

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.

*BENEDICTION

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Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen.

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POSTLUDE "Allegro" from Symphony I

Boyce

^{*}Congregation invited to stand if able

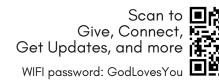
Altar Flowers are presented by Kurt Hinkley In Memory of wife, Linda

Pulpit Flowers are presented by Charlie Beall In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Beall

Opening September 29th: For flowers, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485







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