

Sunday, October 15, 2017

8:30am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.  
Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.  
*"Be still and know that I am God."* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE *"O God, Thou Faithful God"* – Karg-Elert

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT *"A Jubilant Song"* - Pote Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 90*

Leader: Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

People: **I declare that Your steadfast love is established forever;  
Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

\*HYMN *"God of Grace and God of Glory"* No. 420

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Loving God, we stumble in this life hoping to find Your presence. You guide and direct us as we stand on our own, refusing to recognize You. Forgive us for turning our backs on Your wishes. Draw us away from the desires after which we long and keep us close to Your side. Give us compassion when we are unkind. Give us understanding when we are close-minded. Teach us to live as You lived. We pray this in the saving name of Jesus, Amen.

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

*[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

\*HYMN *"Spirit of the Living God"*

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Psalm 118:19-25 (OT p565)*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *Romans 9:30-33 (NT p159)*

SERMON **ROMANS: FAITH FOR DUMMIES** Rev. Robert Bronkema  
*"Stumbling into Christ"*

\*HYMN *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"* No. 316

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

Henry Miller, Trumpet

\*DOXOLOGY

*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.*

\*HYMN *"We Give Thee but Thine Own"* No. 428

\*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

POSTLUDE *"Now Thank We All Our God"* – Karg-Elert

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

\*Praise & Worship

*God of Wonders*

*Our God*

*Do It Again*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message:

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Scripture Readings

Psalm 118:19-25; Romans 9:30-33

Sermon: **Romans: Faith for Dummies**

*"Stumbling into Christ"*

\*Offering/Closing Song

*It Is Well*

\*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

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