

LISBON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 30, 2022

Kingdomtide 21

PRELUDE and TIME OF QUIET REFLECTION

WORDS OF GREETING

A Time of Praise

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We stand before you, God, with ready arms reaching for you.

PEOPLE: We bow before you, God, with humbled hearts seeking you.

Leader: We sing before you, God, with glad voices raised to meet you.

PEOPLE: We kneel before you, God, with open souls lifted to greet you.

Leader: God, in your glory, you have graciously reached for us. We gather this day, reaching for you. Come to us, we pray.

*OPENING HYMN *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* (vs. 1,2,5) # 160

UNISON PRAYER God of generous abundance, you give us so much of yourself. For Christ's grace and love, for the Spirit's constant presence, and for the gifts you have entrusted to us, we give you thanks and praise. As we worship this day, reveal your gifts in us, we pray. Remind us of your abundance and strengthen our resolve to live as the community of faith you would have us be. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 121 (response 1)

844

Act of Confession and Pardon

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION Transcendent God, there is so much of life we simply do not know. In our arrogance, we utter what we do not understand. Rescue us, O Lord, from our afflictions. Restore us, O God, from our wounds. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Son of God, and save us by your unending intercession, we pray. Help us to be the disciples you would have us be in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: God offers us these words of assurance: "I will never leave you or forsake you." God is faithful, even when we are not. Thanks be to God.

PEOPLE: For your steadfast love and your amazing grace that never leaves or forsakes us, we thank you, O God.

Hearing God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT READING Habakkuk 1.1-4;2.1-4 (pg.871)

CHORAL ANTHEM

EPISTLE READING 2 Thessalonians 1.1-4, 11-12 (pg.205)

GOSPEL READING Luke 19.1-10 (pg.82)

SERMON *Seeking and Saving*

*HYMN

Blessed Assurance

369

Responding To God's Word

A TIME OF PRAYER

Joys and Concerns
The Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer
Choral Prayer Response

895

RECEIVING OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN *A Charge to Keep I Have*

413

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*WORDS OF BENEDICTION

Leader: May the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit abide with us this week.

PEOPLE: Glory be to our God who leads us forth as disciples who work to transform the world for Jesus Christ.

*SUNG BENEDICTION *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* (vs 1) # 664

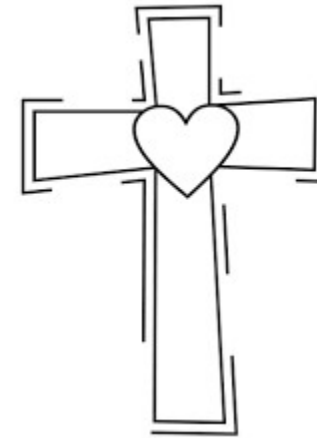
*POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Leaders

Lay Reader: Trudy Duval
Video Production Manager: Verne Smith

Debbie Greim, Organist and Choir Director
Rev. Elizabeth J. Bachelder Smith, Pastor

Boldly Caring for our Community



Grounded in God's Love

Lisbon United Methodist Church
welcomes, nurtures, and serves
all people
with the love of Christ.