There are other actions and decisions that in the moment we did not think much of, but we have come to realize that they are sin.

According to your love and mercy, Lord God, please forgive us of our sins, which have been paid for with the precious blood of your Son Jesus. Sanctify us and work righteousness in us through your Holy Spirit; and bring us into everlasting life.

Thank you, Father for never giving up on us.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(liturgy on screen)

<u>Minister</u>: The Peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you always.

**<u>People</u>:** And also with you (Passing of the Peace)

**CONSECRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS** 

#### THE INSTITUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

**INVITATION TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS** 

(return to your seat with the sacraments)

SONG & REFLECTION

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PARTAKING OF THE SACRAMENTS

SONG

THE BLESSING & SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

In the name of Jesus Christ we now go, Amen!



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Purpose Statement:

We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

Mission Statement:

We desire to be a multi-cultural, multi-generational conduit of the grace of God to be used to fulfil our purpose, for the glory of God.

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# Order of Worship

## Sunday, July 30, 2023

## Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

(Congregation responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.)

## **OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER**

It is through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life, that we were invited to, and are gathered here today. So let us worship the one who is worthy of all glory, honor, and praise.

(Extemporaneous Prayer)

## WORSHIP IN SONG (click on the song title for a YouTube track)

Glory and Honor Because of Who You Are Holy Forever PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious Father, Psalm 119:105 tells us that, "your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path." Please give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ our Lord and by the power of the Holy Spirit (and we all agree by saying) **Amen**.

#### SCRIPTURE READING: Deuteronomy 7:1-10 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

## Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word

Leader: Let us all pray together.

All: O God, covenant keeper and protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, and nothing is holy; thank you for your unmerited love, and for choosing us as your people. Work in us that we would will to do your commandments. Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; so that with you as our ruler and guide, we may pass through things temporal, but not lose those things which are eternal. We humbly ask these things through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

### WORSHIP IN SONG: Hymn of the Month

I Am Thine | View the lyrics here

### SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 8:28-39 (NASB95)

<u>Reader</u>: This is the Word of God.

People: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word (reflection)

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:44-52 (NASB95)

SERMON (10:45 a.m.) https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Let us humbly confess our sins with one another to Almighty God.

(Quiet confession)

Heavenly Father, we come to tell you what you already know. We have sinned. What we have done goes against your teachings and against our own conscience. We know that we have disappointed you by not abiding in you, and in your ways.

We acknowledge that some of the things we have confessed today have been brought to you before, and we are ashamed that we are found guilty of them, and need to confess and repent of them again. (continued on the next page...)

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#### **Announcements**



In lieu of a leadership lesson, today's meeting will serve as an

opportunity for attendees to share key takeaways from our corporate prayer and fasting time this past week, over a bowl of egg drop soup. We'll see YOU there!

<u>August Love Feast</u>: Next Sunday, we look forward to the meal & testimony time following corporate worship. Covenant Partners, please sign up for what you are bringing if you haven't already.

Authorities we want to remember specifically in prayer 8th Circuit US Court of Appeals- Hon. Steven Grasz MO Eastern Appellate District- Judge James Dowd Judge Lisa Page 8t. Charles County Public Administrator- Jacquelyn Miller