#### Wollaston Church of the Nazarene

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 8:00 AM

## The Gathering

**Prelude:** There Is a Fountain - Don Hustad

Lambert Brandes

Please stand

**Gathering:** Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. During this time after Pentecost, let us stand and worship our God who is still moving in this season of Ordinary Days.

Gathering Hymn: #42 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Adeline Shihdanian

Call to Worship: Psalm 98:1-5

Vern Wesley

LEADER: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have won him victory.

PEOPLE: The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in sight of the nations.

LEADER: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

PEOPLE: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break fourth into joyous song and sing praises.

ALL: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody

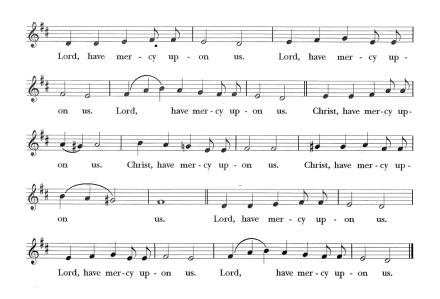
#### The Collect of Purity

**LEADER**: Almighty God, unto you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

### The Summary of the Law

**LEADER:** Hear what the Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

# **Kyrie**



### **The Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

# The Service of the Word

First Reading: Numbers 21:4b-9

Barbara Faulkner

The Israelites become impatient and speak out against God and Moses

READER: The Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.** 

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:18-24

Christ is the power and wisdom of God for those who believe

READER: The Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.** 

Please stand

Gospel Hymn: #695 Tell the Blessed Story

Gospel Reading: John 3:13-17

Susan Watkins

God sent his Son into the world to save us not condemn us

READER: The Gospel of our Lord **PEOPLE: Praise be to thee. O Christ** 

Please be seated

**Sermon** Pastor Stretch Dean

## The Prayers of the People

Pastor Stretch Dean

#### **Confession of Sin**

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

MINISTER Sisters and brothers, scripture declares that everyone who believes in Jesus Christ receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

#### The Peace

MINISTER: The peace of the Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

## **Announcements** Vern Wesley

## The Service of the Table

MINISTER: Magnificent and Merciful God, we come to worship you this morning with great joy and gladness. May the giving of our gifts help firm our resolve to be the Disciples of Christ that you desire for us. Thank you for the blessing of joining in your work both here and around the world. Father, you are full of compassion, mercy and lovingkindness! May we partner with you in selfless love and compassion and be found in your dwelling place all the days of our lives. In the strong name of Jesus we pray. **Amen.** 

The Offertory

John Nielson

Please stand

### The Presentation Hymn

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor Andrea Johnson

MINISTER: The Lord be with you. **PEOPLE:** And also with you.

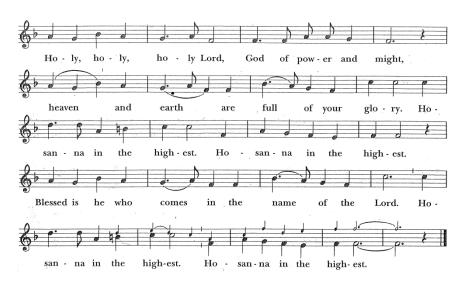
MINISTER: Lift up your hearts. **PEOPLE:** We lift them to the Lord.

MINISTER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **PEOPLE:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

MINISTER: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You are a God who patiently molds us and makes us; you have searched us and know every part of us, loving us all the same. Heavenly Father, you stand before us and behind us, gently calling us into your restful presence.

Therefore, we rejoice together with all of creation in this song of praise...

#### **Sanctus**



Please be Seated

MINISTER: On the night in which Jesus was handed over to suffering and death, He took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper He took the cup of wine; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to His command, O Father,

ALL: We remember His death, We proclaim His resurrection, We await His coming in glory.

MINISTER: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

### The Lord's Prayer (All)

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.

### The Breaking of the Bread

MINISTER: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

PEOPLE: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

MINISTER: Let us pray.

All: We come to Your table, Lord, in meekness of heart and humility of spirit, knowing that we cannot approach You in our own righteousness, but because of Your great goodness. Your nature is always to show mercy to those who justly deserve Your wrath and punishment. As we receive the elements, we eat and drink in remembrance of Him Who died for us and rose again, knowing that He has become to us both meat and drink. Help us to live in newness of life and to walk worthily before You all the days of our lives. Amen.

MINISTER: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The congregation is invited to receive communion at the altar. Please come forward and kneel at the altar as space is available. There receive together both the bread and the cup. If you are unable to kneel, please take a seat on the front row and you will be served. When you have finished, please return to your seat so others may kneel.

The Church of the Nazarene recognizes an "open communion." You do not need to be a member of this church to partake. Those who claim Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are welcome. If Christ invites you, then come!

## **Post Communion Charge**

MINISTER: May we go from this Sabbath Space filled with the peace and rest that only God can bring. In this quiet, may we hear His sweet voice calling us to come and follow Him. *Amen.* 

# The Dismissal

Please stand

The Closing Hymn: #410 No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus

Closing Prayer

Lambert Brandes

Pastor Stretch Dean

**Postlude**: Reflection - Douglas Wagner

#### Assignments:

Gathering: Vern Wesley Sermon: Pastor Stretch Dean

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Stretch Dean

Gospel: Susan Watkins Reader: Barbara Faulkner

Announcements and Offertory Prayer: Vern Wesley

Table Minister: Pastor Andrea Assisted By: Pastor Stretch

Hymn Leader: Adeline Shihdanian

Offertory: John Nielson

Closing Prayer: Pastor Stretch Dean

Organist: Lambert Brandes