



*I am the light
of the world.*

he that followeth me
shall not walk in darkness,
but shall have the
light of life.

John 8:12

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Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

The Season of Pentecost
18th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Hymn: "**O For a Church**" (insert)

CALL TO WORSHIP

(spoken with joy and hope)

*Liturgist: Every promise we can make,
every prayer and step of faith,

***ALL: is only by his grace!**

*Liturgist: Every mountain we will
climb, every ray of hope we shine,

***ALL: is only by his grace!**

*Liturgist: Grace alone which God
supplies, strength unknown he will
provide,

***ALL: Christ in us our Cornerstone; we
will go forth in grace alone.**

INVOCATION AND WELCOME

Our Confession and God's Word of Forgiveness

ALL: Eternal Splendor, Light of light and God of gods, you have shone upon us and we have seen your glory, shining in the face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Bathed in your light, our faith and our life are shown to be shrouded and tarnished. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Yet, in your great mercy you forgive what we have been. We pray that you now will amend what we are and direct what we shall be, that we may henceforth walk in your light, delight in your will, and reflect your radiance, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson: **Jeremiah 11: 18-20**

Page 713 in the small pew Bible;
page 872 in the large print.

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of
God!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Chorus No. 2041 "**Thou Art Worthy**"
(sung twice)

Psalter: **Psalm 92**
(Page 811-812 in Hymnal)

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of
God!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*New Testament Lesson: **Mark 9: 30-37**

*Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of
God!

***ALL: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: "What Is Greatness?"

Praise and Prayer

Lord's Prayer (**in unison**)

**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.**

Offering

Hymn No. 451 "**Be Thou My Vision**"

*Doxology No. 95

*Benediction

***SHALOM TO YOU**

(Please form a circle and hold hands.)

**Shalom to you now, shalom my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

***=Please stand at this sign, as you
choose.**

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ann Muse & family

United States: Victims of storm Florence

Abroad: Victims of Typhoon Mangkhut

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Wednesday, Sept. 26th – 6:30pm Pot-Luck;
7:00pm *Bible Study (Mark)*

Saturday, Sept. 29th - 11:00am

Memorial Service for Ernie Muse
FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS by
Tanglewoods Floral Boutique, LLC

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev'd. Betty Chamberlain, pianist

Mrs. Ruth Dixon, song leader

Rev'd. Robert Hoem, pastor

Mrs. Sarah Hope, pianist

Mr. Rooe Simpson, liturgist

Mr. Bill White, audio