



Silent Confession  
\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Response  
#262 (*verse 4*),  
"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"  
National Hymn

**Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,  
Lead us from night to never-ending day;  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.**

\*A Brief Statement of Faith (*May be found in the back cover of pew Hymnal*)

## II. The Community Hears the Word of God

### First Lesson

Romans 8:31-39, page 148, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem "Sing Me to Heaven"  
Daniel Gawthrop

### Time for Children

### Second Lesson

Luke 18:1-8, page 76, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **Tales of the Kingdom: "Seeking A Settlement"**  
Rev. J. Herbert Nelson

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

\*Sermon Hymn  
#421 (*verses 1-3*), "The Church of Christ in Every Age"  
Wareham

### Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission *Stewardship Campaign*

### Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory

8:45 \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around  
the Table for Giving and Prayer  
11:00 "Agnus Dei"  
Charles Marie Widor  
Translation: Lamb of God, who takes away the sins  
of the world, have mercy on us, hear our prayer.

\*Response  
#591 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"  
Doxology  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication  
God of generous providing, we belong to You, and all  
that we have belongs to You. Use these gifts, we pray,  
in service of justice; may our lives show forth the  
coming kingdom, that Christ will find faith on earth.  
Amen.

### Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our  
debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver  
us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the  
power and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace 11:00

\*Sending Hymn  
#288, "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"  
Ellacombe

- I sing the mighty power of God,  
That made the mountains rise,  
That spread the flowing seas abroad,  
And built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained  
The sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at God's command,  
And all the stars obey.**
- I sing the goodness of the Lord,  
Who filled the earth with food,  
Who formed the creatures through the Word,  
And then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed,  
Where'er I turn my eye,  
If I survey the ground I tread,  
Or gaze upon the sky.**
- There's not a plant or flower below,  
But makes Thy glories known,  
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,  
By order from Thy throne;  
While all that borrows life from Thee  
Is ever in Thy care;  
And everywhere that we can be,  
Thou, God, art present there.**

\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

\*Congregational Alleluia! Amen!  
Response

Postlude "Presto" from **Organ Concerto No. 4 in F Major**  
G. F. Handel  
Samantha Scheff and John Kim, piano and organ

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Liturgy adapted from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion* c. 2013.

**The flowers in the chancel today** are given to the glory of God and in  
memory of loved ones and friends by members and friends of the  
Congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

We wish to thank **Samantha Scheff and John Kim** for their  
participation in worship this morning.

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	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
<b>Greeters</b>	Marilyn Seiber	Jerry and Helen Joseph
<b>Liturgists</b>	Brian Schimming	Bernice McIntyre
<b>Tour Guides</b>	Meg Neill	Joe Riley
<b>Worship Play</b>	Katie Cashwell and Elizabeth Sciupac	

### Counters' Schedule

October 20 Amy Gillespie and Dan Stokes  
October 29 Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein

### Preaching Schedule

October 27 Rev. Katie Cashwell  
November 3 Rev. Roger J. Gench  
November 9 Rev. Roger J. Gench  
November 16 Rev. Roger J. Gench  
November 23 Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader  
November 28 Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader (Thanksgiving Day)