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**First Christian Church – *Disciples of Christ*  
and St. Clare Chapel**

**17th Sunday After Pentecost, Year B**

**Sunday, September 19, 2021 – 10:30 am**

***“The wisdom from above calls to us - calling us to peace and gentleness,  
kindness and mercy, goodness and service.”***

## **Come, let us Worship our Risen Lord!**

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**Worship Begins - 10:30 am / Virtual Fellowship to Follow  
June Steen - Worship Leader / Elder – Jim Paget  
Pastors – Rev. Liz Miller and Rev. Dr. Jack Miller**

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### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**INTROIT:** *“Change My Heart, O God”*

### **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: Give thanks to the Lord!

***Many: Call upon the name of the Lord!***

One: God’s love and mercy are given daily for each of us.

***Many: God’s forgiveness and tenderness are poured out for us.***

One: Praise be to God who deals so kindly with us.

***All: Lord, help us offer the same compassion to others.***

**HYMN OF GATHERING:** *“Gather Your People”*

### **INVOCATION / LORD’S PRAYER:**

*“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.”*

### **GLORY BE TO THE FATHER:**

*“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Psalm 54: 3-8

**PRAISE HYMN:** *“Give Thanks to The Lord”*

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**JOYS AND CONCERNS:**  
**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:**  
**PRAYER RESPONSE:**

*“Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.”*

**AT THE LORD’S TABLE:**

Communion Meditation and Words of Institution

Meditation Hymn: *“Earthen Vessels.”*

Communion Prayer

**Partaking of the Bread and the Cup**

The Invitation to Offering

*“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”*

Offering Prayer

**MESSAGE SCRIPTURE:** Mark 9: 30-37 (Video)

**MESSAGE:** *“Childlike Faith”* - Rev. Dr. Jack Miller

**CLOSING SONG:** *“Blest Be The Lord”*

**BENEDICTION:**



**This Weeks Birthdays:**

9/20 - Ardys Adams

9/20 - Don Leak

9/24 - Cece Henderson

**This Weeks Anniversary:**

9/24 - Eddie & Ellen Hankins

**This Weeks Event:**

9/21 – Men’s Breakfast

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# Change My Heart, O God

*Create in me a clean heart, O God. Psalm 51:10 (KJV)*

*Chorus Unison*

Change my heart, O God, Make it ev-er true.

Change my heart, O God,

*Bridge*

May I be like You. You are the

Pot-ter, I am the clay;

WORDS: Eddie Espinosa  
MUSIC: Eddie Espinosa

CHANGE MY HEART  
Irregular meter

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Mold me and make me, This is what I

pray. Change my heart, O God,

Make it ev-er true. Change my heart, O God,

1. *Opt. repeat to Bridge* | 2.

May I be like You. You.

*Optional extended or choral ending  
Freely - harmony optional*

Change my heart, O God, May I be like You.

*rit.*

# GATHER YOUR PEOPLE

## Refrain

Gath-er your peo-ple, O Lord. Gath-er your peo-ple, O  
Lord. One bread, one bod-y, one spir-it of  
love. Gath-er your peo-ple, O Lord.

## Verses

1. Draw us forth to the ta-ble of life:  
2. We are parts of the bod-y of Christ,  
3. No more harm on the moun-tain of God;  
4. Wash us, Lord, in the wa-ters of life;

broth-ers and sis-ters, each of us called to  
need-ing each oth-er, each of the gifts the  
swords in-to plow-shares. Free us, O Lord, from  
wa-ters of mer-cy, wa-ters of hope that

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walk in your light.  
Spir-it pro-vides.  
hard-ness of heart.  
flow from your side.



# GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD

Dan Schutte

Verses 1 & 2, 4 & 5, 7 & 8, 10



1. Give thanks to the Lord who does won - drous deeds, who  
 2. Give thanks to the God who has blessed our land, who  
 4. Give thanks to the God of the sum - mer rains, who  
 5. Give thanks to the Lord who is mer - ci - ful, whose  
 7. Give thanks to the Lord for the blaz - ing sun, for  
 8. Give thanks to the Lord for the crim - son skies, for  
 10. Give thanks to the God who has set us free, who



1. mas - ters the winds and the rag - ing seas,  
 2. guards ev - 'ry step with a might - y hand,  
 4. spreads out the hills and the gold - en plains,  
 5. kind - ness is wide and love boun - ti - ful, } whose  
 7. great, roll - ing waves where the dol - phins run,  
 8. wild, wind - y heights where the ea - gle flies,  
 10. raised us to life on a bless - ed tree,



love is for ev - er, whose love is for ev - er, whose love is for



ev - er more! more!

Verses 3, 6, 9



3. O, bless the Lord for ev - 'ry gift that comes to grace our way. And  
 6. O, bless the Lord with mu - sic, ev - 'ry crea - ture great and small. And  
 9. O, bless the Lord all peo - ple, for the mu - sic of the skies. And

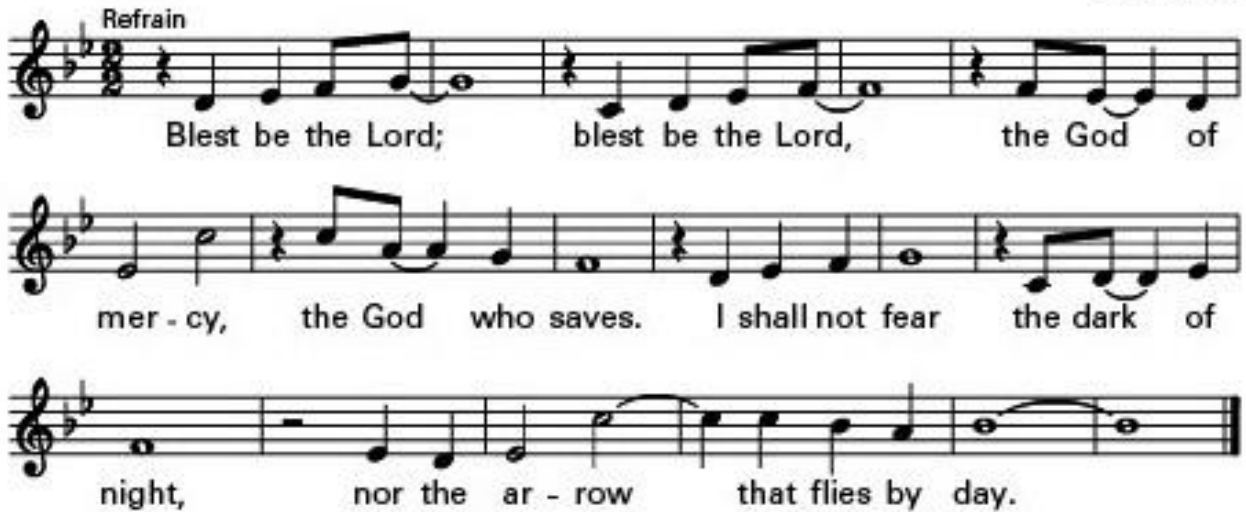


3. praise the God of faith - ful - ness, who comes to light our day. (to Vss 4 & 5)  
 6. sing through all the a - ges of God's fa - vor to us all. (to Vss 7 & 8)  
 9. tell the won - drous sto - ry of a love that nev - er dies. (to Vs 10)

# BLEST BE THE LORD

Dan Schutte

Refrain



Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord, the God of  
mer - cy, the God who saves. I shall not fear the dark of  
night, nor the ar - row that flies by day.

Verses



1. He will re-lease\_ me \_\_\_ from the nets of all my foes.  
2. I need not\_ shrink be - fore \_\_\_ the ter - rors of the night,  
3. Al-though a thou - sand strong \_\_\_ have fall - en at my side,  
1. He will pro - tect me from their wick-ed hands.  
2. nor stand a-lone be - fore the light\_ of day.  
3. I'll not be shak-en with the Lord\_ at hand.  
1. Be - neath \_\_\_ the shad-ow of his wings \_\_\_ I  
2. No harm shall\_ come to me, \_\_\_ no ar - row  
3. His faith - ful \_\_\_ love is all \_\_\_ the ar - mor

to Refrain



1. will re - joice \_\_\_ to find a dwell-ing place se-ure. \_\_\_  
2. strike me down, \_\_\_ no e - vil set - tle in my soul.  
3. that I need to wage my bat - tle with the foe. \_\_\_





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### **Zoom Worship Schedule**

**Sundays:** 10:30 am / Virtual Social - 11:30 am

**Email us to be added to our Zoom Worship invitation list.**

Our church family is made up of The Mount Vernon First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and St. Clare Chapel, an independent Catholic community. We are a Welcoming, Caring, Communities of Faith! ALL people regardless of their gender, age, race, culture, ethnic background, sexual orientation, family configuration, economic circumstance, or difference in abilities are welcome here. Since March of 2020, at the onset of the COVID 19 pandemic, we began a joint worship virtually on Zoom. What is our worship service like on Zoom? We strive to provide a virtual place of traditional worship presented in a forthright, supportive, and open atmosphere. Our Sunday gathering is filled with fellowship, prayer, music, sharing, and proclaiming the Word. As a community, we gather each week around our virtual table to celebrate communion. All are welcome at our table. We currently worship every Sunday at 10:30 am on Zoom. You are invited to join us! Just send us an email or contact one of our pastors and we will provide you with a link to join us.

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