

October 18, 2020

9:30AM

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Committed to Christ: Six Steps to a Generous Life  
Let Us Pray



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE:

### STEPPING UP

*We step toward God, coming to worship and reaching out to the Divine.*

GREETING

OPENING STEPS

THEME MUSIC: We Are Praying

TFWS 2235 b

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Liturgist: In Jesus is life, and the life is the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot overcome it.

Liturgist: We come to the light of Jesus Christ, our Savior, to be closer to God and so let us gather near to God's Spirit as we join in our call to worship.  
God of Power,

**People: God of glory and might.**

Liturgist: Bless us, your children,

**People: as we gather in your name.**

Liturgist: Open our hearts,

**People: That we might see you and know your wisdom.**

Liturgist: Even though we approach you with awe,

**People: Still we are not strangers to you.**

Liturgist: You welcome us,

**People: And invite us to pray.**

Liturgist: Simply,

**People: And together, in your name.**

HYMN: Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart (vs. 1-4)

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OPENING PRAYER

### STEPPING ALONG

We come along on the journey into scripture and God's message to us.

SCRIPTURE:

Matthew 6:5-13

THE WORD IN MUSIC

MESSAGE

Let Us Pray

Rev. Ann Lyter

## STEPS TO FOLLOW

*We follow where Christ leads. That might require a turn on our part (repentance) or an adjustment in direction. It always calls for a response.*

RESPONSE: COMMITMENT ON PRAYER

DOXOLOGY:

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PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

## STEPPING OUT

*We take our step of faith out into the world, following Jesus with each step.*

HYMN:

Lord, Speak to Me (vs. 1,2,4,5)

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BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION SONG

THEME MUSIC

We Are Marching

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*Will you climb one or more steps in PRAYER this year?*

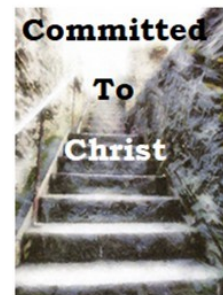
*(check any that apply)*

- 1. Today, I am not ready to make a commitment to pray.
- 2. Beginning today, I will pray when I am in a worship service.
- 3. Beginning today, I will pray every time I am facing a difficult decision.
- 4. Beginning today, I will try to pray daily.
- 5. Beginning today, I will pray daily, using a devotional guide.
- 6. Beginning today, I will pray daily, remembering the prayer requests shared in worship.
- 7. Beginning today, I will pray daily, setting aside 15 minutes for daily devotional time.
- 8. Beginning today, I will pray daily and be in the church prayer chain or prayer group.
- 9. Prayer will be a priority in my life, growing to include the following:

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Date \_\_\_\_\_