PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAYREADER for this week is Sharon Laverdure.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS this week are Cindy Schrick, Anna Dressel, Reese Wasylyk, Rebecca Sanker, Ellie Buff, Hayden Huffman and Dale Pedersen.

THE FLOWERS this week are sponsored by Rich and Sharon Laverdure in honor of their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary!

# **Church Staff**

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Nursery Attendant

# THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today

- ~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.
- ~ Bell choir rehearsal after service
- ~ Youth Group Zoom meeting, 6:00 p.m.

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**September 20, 2020** 

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

# **GATHERING**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Life and breath are a gift from God. A tender heart and a humble mind are possible with God. We take time today to be still and know more fully who we are in Jesus.

\*HYMN NO. 65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God who is greater than the most powerful forces in this world, enable us to be still and know that You are God. O Lord who answers out of the whirlwind of everyday life, breathe in us Your Holy Spirit to strengthen, comfort and guide us in the midst of the storm.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator of the universe, we stand amazed at your power and glory. We are eager to worship you and offer our praise, but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear you calling our name. We sing our songs of tribute in worship of you, but shy away from the rivers of life. Forgive us when we forget your promise to be with us always, O God. Forgive us when we fail to be still and recall we belong to you before reacting. Renew us with the power of your ever-present love and strengthen us to proclaim your justice throughout the world. Amen.

## **№** Moment for Silent Reflection **%**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SPECIAL MUSIC "Jesus Shall Reign" Bell Choir

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 14:10-31 (Pg. 60)

NEW TESTAMENT 1 Peter 2:2-10 (Pg. 233)

L: Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON "Taking A Moment" Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO.815 "Give to the Winds Thy Fears"

**SENDING** 

PASTORAL PRAYER

\*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

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE