



**Twenty-Third Sunday
After Pentecost**

Annual Meeting

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“My house is a house of prayer for all people.” (Isaiah 56:7)

**Plymouth is A Just Peace Church and
An Open and Affirming Congregation**

Our Approach to God

Preparation Music For the Beauty of the Earth.....arr. Carol Lynn Mizell
The Plymouth Ringers

Welcome

***Call to Worship**

ONE: For a new day, and the air we breathe, and the life in our bodies,

ALL: we give thanks to God with our whole hearts!

ONE: For the great works of God, for the majesty of God’s grace,

ALL: We give thanks to God, who is righteous and good!

***Hymn (Black) 597** Shall We Gather at the River.....*Hanson Place*

Confession

ALL: God of mercy and grace,
Sometimes we do not know what to confess.
We seek to follow the example of Jesus, but the right course is not always
clear. We want to follow your direction, but it is hard to discern what is true.
We wonder: how can we embody the gospel in our lives?
At times, our faith is shaken.
We confess our brokenness, and we pray for your redemption. Amen.

Silent Reflection

Words of Assurance

***Hymn of Praise***Nettleton*

Here I pause in my sojourning, giving thanks for having come,
Come to trust, at every turning, God will guide me safely home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God,
Came to rescue me from danger, blessed body, precious blood.

***Passing of the Peace**

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

Children in pre-school through 5th grade are invited to depart for Sunday School.

The Proclamation of God's Word

Reading from Scripture

Isaiah 65:17-25

Sermon

The Value of Visionary Thinking Rev. Dr. Matthew Wooster

***Hymn (Red) 404** Take My Life and Let It Be.....*Vienna*

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.

Response Come and Fill Our Hearts.....*Taizé*

Living Out the Word of God

Announcements of Church Life

Call to Offering

Offertory My Sweet Lord/Oh Happy Day Edwin R. Hawkins

The Plymouth Folk Revival and The Plymouth Choir

My sweet Lord, I really wanna see you, really wanna be with you, really wanna see, Lord, but it takes so long, my Lord. My sweet Lord, I really wanna know you, I'd really wanna go with you, I really wanna show you, Lord that it won't take long, my Lord. Oh happy day, when Jesus washed, he washed my sins away. He taught me how to watch, fight and pray, and live rejoicing every day.

***Doxology**.....*Old 100th*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

God of new life, we offer our gifts and our lives to your service. May your Spirit be at work, among us and within us, to move your creation closer to the vision that you hold before us. Amen.

***Hymn (Black) 607 We Would Be Building.....Finlandia**

***Commission and Benediction**

***Congregational Response.....Tallis Canon**

Go with us Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

The Annual Meeting of Plymouth Church

In accordance with the Plymouth Church Constitution, the Annual Meeting is to be held the second Sunday of November, at which time the annual written reports of all committees shall be presented, officers shall be elected (starting January 1), and such other business shall be transacted.

A quorum of 75 people must sign in and be present for the meeting. Please sign in on one of the clipboards.