

A SERVICE OF THE WORD
Twenty-third Week After Pentecost
October 29, 1986

The Gardner C Taylor Series

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

Organ Prelude (a time for silence and meditation)

*Call to Worship

L Behold, I stand at the door and knock, if anyone hears my voice and opens the door,
I will come in.

P COME TO ME, ALL WHO LABOR AND ARE HEAVY-LADEN, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST.

L The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship God in
spirit and truth.

P FOR SUCH THE LORD SEEKS TO WORSHIP AND GIVE PRAISE

*Hymn No. 224 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

Almighty God, whose only-begotten child Jesus Christ came to cast fire upon
the earth. Grant that by the prayers of your faithful people a fire of burning
zeal may be kindled and pass from heart to heart, that the light of your Church
may shine forth bright and clear, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

Scripture Lesson Luke 18 9-14

*Responsive Reading

(Psalm 16 1-2, 5-9, 11)

L Preserve me, O God,

P: FOR IN THEE I TAKE REFUGE.

L I say to the Lord,

P "THOU ART MY LORD, I HAVE NO GOOD APART FROM THEE."

L The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;

P THOU HOLDEST MY LOT.

L The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

P YEA, I HAVE A GOODLY HERITAGE.

L I bless the Lord who gives me counsel,

P IN THE NIGHT ALSO MY HEART INSTRUCTS ME.

L I keep the Lord always before me;

P BECAUSE GOD IS AT MY RIGHT HAND, I SHALL NOT BE MOVED.

L Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;

P MY BODY ALSO DWELLS SECURE.

L Thou dost show me the path of life, in thy presence there is fulness of joy,

P: IN THY RIGHT HAND ARE PLEASURES FOR EVERMORE.

*Gloria Patri

Solo

Sermon

OVER

RESPONSES AND OFFERINGS

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn No. 265 "I Need Thee Every Hour"

(verses 1-4 only)

SENDING FORTH

*Dismissal with Blessing

L: We need You every hour, gracious Lord.

P: STAY NEAR US IN JOY AND PAIN; TEACH US YOUR HOLY WILL.

L: Go forth from this place trusting in God's all-sufficient grace, and may the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the mighty wind of the Spirit be with you always.

P: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN.

*The Sharing of Christ's Peace

Organ Postlude

Preacher
Liturgist
Reader
Soloist
Organist

Bishop Elroy Lewis
Moses Hodnett
Andi Reese
Carl Manuel
David Arcus

