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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost – September 24, 2017

CENTERING THOUGHT:

“When all is said and done, it is persistence that is the antidote to powerlessness.”
–Joan Chittister

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *We gather in dialogue with each other, planning and sharing our response to God’s call to discipleship.*
(If you wish to make an announcement, please come forward and sit in the front pew to use a microphone.)

WE GATHER IN WORSHIP, our dialogue with God, the ground of being.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

From the north and from the south, from the east and from the west, he, she, they, all are children of God.

We are people of God, followers of Christ; we have come to worship our God, the God of life for all.

We have gathered in Christ’s name, the spirit moves among us.

We come in need, we come in hope; we come in belief that God will help our unbelief.

*HYMN *Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer* 18
Accompanied by Plymouth Brass: Kevin Dobreff, Phil Pikaart: trumpet; Sharon Wandry: horn; Art Wallace, tuba; David Smith, Ethan Wheeler: trombone; Bill Bokhout, directing.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION and Lord’s Prayer using “debts and debtors.”

*CONG’L GREETING Greet one another in the peace of Christ.

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

+ + + Children depart for Sunday Sessions

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Becky Mickaus

SERVICE OF PRAYER

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral followed by Silent Prayer

ANTHEM

With a Voice of Singing

-Shaw

READINGS

Plato (4th century, BCE), Goethe (18th century, CE),
Current Day, Susmata Chaulogain (May 21, 2015)

*HYMN

God of Our Life

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SERMON

Beyond TV Fantasy and Fake News

Earle Canfield

ACT OF DEDICATION

Invitation

Offertory

Voluntary on Old 100th

-Henry Purcell
Plymouth Brass

*Doxology *I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* -Trad. African American

**I’m gonna live so __ God can use me __ an-y-time, Lord __
and an-y-where. __.** (Repeat)

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN

I’ve Got Peace Like a River

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*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Indicates those who are able are asked to stand.