

THE RECLAMATION

redefine faith. reimagine love. reignite hope.

September 29, 2024
Nineteenth Sunday after
Pentecost

*Evangelism is not about what you tell people,
but how you treat people.*

*Online worshipers (live stream) are invited to greet the congregation
by writing your name in the YouTube chat. Please also submit any prayer requests via
the YouTube chat – to be shared during “Prayers of the People.”*

PRELUDE *Come Thou Almighty King* Anna Laura Page, arr.
Esther Nui

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Ava Bilton

One: In this very moment, God is still speaking

Many: Of new ways of living into the spirit of truth and mercy.

One: In this very moment, Christ is still working

Many: For healing and hope for All Creation.

One: In this very moment, the Spirit is still moving

**Many: In our hearts, minds, and bodies, so that we can continue to
build the Kingdom of God.**

One: This is the Good News: [...]

All those who walk in Jesus' way will be transformed by Love.

So let us go and be disciples of all the nations

Many: Let us hear the Good News, so that we may bring it to the world.

***OPENING HYMN** *“We Limit Not the Truth of God”* #316 NCH

WORDS OF WELCOME The Rev. Elissa Johnk

GOSPEL READING John 1:43-46 Liz Royer

TIME OF UNBURDENING (UNISON)

by the Rev. Dr. Cheryl Lindsay, adapted

Loving God, we acknowledge the need for repair in our lives. We have confused seeking the common good with controlling our neighbor. We have conflated unity with uniformity. We have co-signed on societal norms that divide, segregate, and exclude rather than becoming agents of cultural change to bridge, welcome, and belong. Transform our hearts and foster a spirit of curiosity, hospitality, and reconciliation to make things right. Lead us on the path of belonging. Amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

WORD OF GOD FOR (SM) ALL AGES

Hilah Clarke

ANTHEM

Go Out in the World
Sanctuary Choir

Ed Bolduc

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

*This week's “Celebrations & Prayer's” list is available for you
on the front page of our website – <https://firstchurchburlington.org/> - and among the
links under the title of the YouTube live stream throughout this morning's live stream of
the worship service.*

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.

***HYMN OF THANKSGIVING** *“You Are Called to Tell the Story”* #357 NCH

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 16:13-15

Amy Mellencamp

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Inception
Austin Handbell Choir

Jason Krug

