

**Sunday, October 16, 2022**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

### **Welcome**

***Gathering Hymn: MV 79 Spirit, Open My Heart***

### **Welcoming the Light**

**Whether in times of doubt or times of clarity, we are invited into, guided by and filled with the light of Christ, the light of the world. Amen**

### **Call to worship**

God of every good gift, we come to worship today seeking many things. **Some of us are seeking peace, some are seeking healing, some are seeking answers, and other are looking for the right questions.** We trust that you will give us what we need; **food for our deepest hunger. Amen**

### **Opening prayer**

**We gather as your people, loving God. Open our hearts to receive your love and your word. Then may we live always in your presence, sharing your perspective and being persistent in efforts to build justice and compassion and peach in your world. In the spirit of Christ, we live and pray. Amen**

***Hymn: VU 402 We Are One***

### **Prayers for Grace and Transformation/**

**Words of Affirmation Hear the words from Jeremiah 31:33  
34: "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says God: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and**

**they shall be my people...I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sins no more." Thanks be to God. Amen**

### **The Peace**

### **Exegesis/Prayer for Illumination**

#### **Scripture**

**Jeremiah 31:27–34  
Psalm 119:97–104, part 4, VU 840,  
Luke 18: 1–8  
\*Alleluia! (MV 50)**

#### **Reflection**

***Hymn: VU 273 The King of Love (vs 1-2-3)***

### **Invitation to the Offering**

**Doxology VU 541 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

### **Offertory Prayer**

**God, may our offerings be used to fulfil your will for justice and may we be wise enough to trust in your leading. Amen**

### **Announcements**

**Prayers of the people/Lords Prayer**

### **Extinguish the Candle**

**Blessing**

***Closing Hymn: VU 424 May the God of Hope Go with Us***

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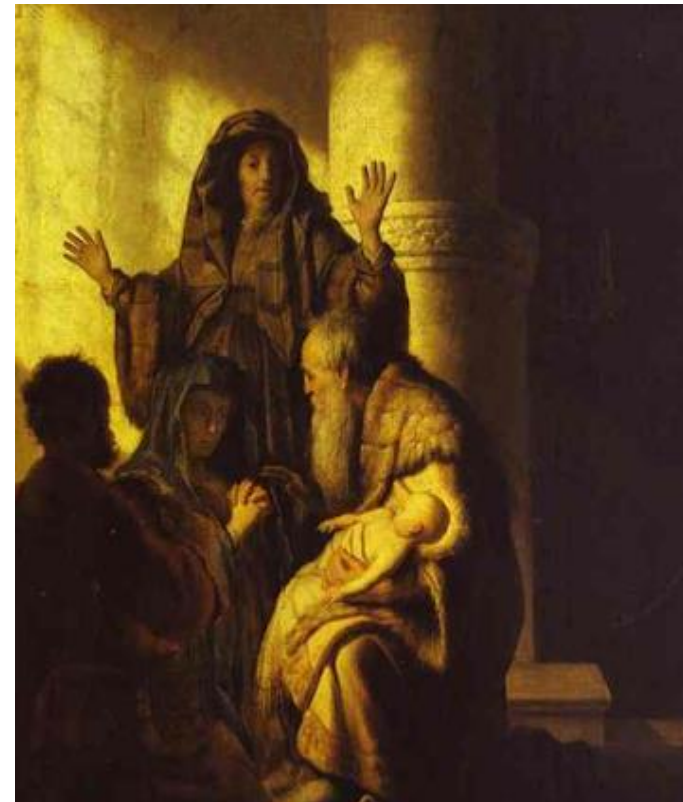
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*And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'*  
*Luke 18: 3*