



Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

“Losing my religion”

James 1:17-27

August 29, 2021 @ 11:00 a.m.



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**Please stand if you are able*

Gathering Music

Welcome

Rev. Doug Collins

Prelude

FCC Trio

Plenty Good Room

Call to Worship

David Quiring

Awake, fellow worshippers,

arise and see the paths God is calling us to walk.

Put away old qualms and focus anew on the work for this life.

*Give praise to the One who stirs in our hearts
and meets us in this place.*

Let us worship!

***Opening Hymn**

CH 56

For the Beauty of the Earth

A Time for Prayer

Pastor Doug

*After a pastoral prayer is offered, worshippers are invited to light
a candle at a nearby station as we continue our time of prayer.*

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Insert

Community Prayer

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer

From the New Zealand Prayer Book

Find this week's responsive prayer insert in your pew.

Scripture Reading

David Quiring

James 1:17-27

¹⁷ Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²²But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Sermon

Pastor Doug

"Losing my religion"

Listening for the Word in Music

FCC Trio

Be Thou My Vision

CH 595

Call to Offering & Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering can be placed at the conclusion of our service in one of the two trays located at the back of the sanctuary. You can also give online anytime at <http://bit.ly/fccgiving>.

Communion Hymn

CH 414

Eat This Bread

Sharing God's Feast

communion prayer

musical meditation

***Benediction Song & Blessing**

God Be With You

Dismissal & Postlude

FCC Trio

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

CH 560

Worshippers are asked to refrain from congregating indoors.
We look forward to catching up in the courtyard.

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