Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn"Ch	ildren of the Heavenly Father"	474 LBW
Brief Order for Conf	fession and Forgiveness	pg. 77 LBW
Kyrie		pg. 78 LBW
Hymn of Praise "	Praise, My Soul, the King of H	Heaven" 549 LBW
Prayer of the Day		

Merciful God, all people stand in need of your gracious forgiveness. Forgive us our sins, O Lord, and preserve us from false self-righteousness. Make us humble of heart that our lives might bear fruits of genuine repentance and your love might flow through us to our neighbors; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

First Reading	II Samuel 12:7-9, 13-23
Second Reading	II Timothy 4:6-8
Faith Seeds	Shelly Kirchoff
Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.	

The Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia."

The Announcement of the Gospel	. "Glory to You, O Lord"
Gospel	Luke 18:9-17
Response after the Gospel "	Praise to You, O Christ"
Sermon "The Gospel Maze"	Pastor Scott Grorud
Hymn "To You, Omniscient Lord of All" (Tune: #500) 310 LBW

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering/Special Music "The Wayfaring Stranger"
Faith Singers accompanied by Roxanna Boe on the violin

Offertory Response

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Hymn "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" 487 LBW

What Does This Mean?"

Questions about Today's Worship Theme: Luke 18:9-17

- What makes today's Gospel reading simple and clear to understand?
- What realities make that simple message hopelessly complex?
- **†** Why is it good news that we cannot solve the complexities in this text?
- **†** What is the only way to exit out of "the Gospel maze"?

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