

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Order of Worship

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2022

At the sound of the chimes, please use this time to silently prepare for worship.

CHIMES

PRELUDE “Autumn” - Stickles

GREETING “This is the day that the Lord has made!”
We will rejoice and be glad in it.

INTROIT - “Into My Heart” - Clarke

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

This is the day the Lord has made:

a day for praise and prayer;

a day for gratitude and generosity.

This is the time God has given us:

a time for singing and silence;

a time for speaking and listening.

This is the life to which God calls us:

a life of humility and service;

a life of faith and trust.

*** OPENING HYMN “How Lovely, Lord” (Psalm 84) #402**

*** THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Watching God, like the Pharisee, we think we can stick our thumbs into life, pull out a prayer, and congratulate ourselves for being such good Christians. Then, we remember the harsh words we have spoken this week, the hurt we have inflicted on someone we loved, the lack of compassion we failed to offer to someone who needed our help.

Forgive us, God of Grace, and deal gently with us. May we become more like the tax collector - humble, penitent, acknowledging our faulty lives to you. Then, may we receive the mercy promised to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(silent reflection)

*** THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (responsively)

Forgiven and healed, we open ourselves to the grace, the peace, the hope offered to us through our loving God. This is the good news we have received!

Graced and blessed, we are able to live our lives for others, taking them by the hand to reach that finish line called the Kingdom. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*** GLORIA PATRI - “Glory Be To The Father”**

Glory be to the Father; and the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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WELCOME

We invite all our guests to identify themselves as they wish.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION - Elder George Van Otten

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

ANTHEM - “*I Give You My Heart*” - arr. Larson

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Psalm 84:1-7

Holy wisdom, holy word, **thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - Luke 18:9-14

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SERMON “Do You Need an ‘I’ Exam?”

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD "THE APOSTLES' CREED"

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 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, for ever. Amen.

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY - "One Fine Day in October" - Loveland and Sherry

* DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

* CLOSING HYMN - "*Higher Ground*" (Insert)
(Requested by church member)

*** BENEDICTION**

*** BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *"In the Lord I'll be Ever Thankful"* #654

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful;

In the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God; do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

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Please be seated for the congregational meeting.

*** POSTLUDE** *"Make a Joyful Noise"* - Viner

