



# SHALLOTTE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

13th Sunday after Pentecost | August 27, 2023

I WILL GIVE YOU THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, AND WHATEVER YOU BIND ON EARTH WILL BE BOUND IN HEAVEN, AND WHATEVER YOU LOOSE ON EARTH WILL BE LOOSED IN HEAVEN.

Matthew 16:19

*(\*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary, to stand.  
All speak words in **boldface**.)*

## CALLED BY GOD WE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC

"God's Leadership"

WHITWORTH

WELCOME, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY AND IN MUSIC

*(WHEN THE CHIMES TOLL, LET US SILENTLY OPEN OUR SPIRIT TO GOD'S PRESENCE.)*

"How Firm a Foundation"

MARTIN

Guest Organist - Kathy Parker

OPENING WORDS & PRAYER *(adapted from Psalm 124)*

Dave Green, Liturgist

Had the LORD not been on our side,  
we would have been swallowed up by our enemies.  
Had the Lord not been on our side,  
the raging waters would have swept us away.  
Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey;  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.  
**Our help is in the name of the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.**

\*HYMN #39                      "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty Lord, we confess the ways we rebel against your love and ignore your commandments. Instead of opening ourselves to you, we harden our hearts and refuse to raise our voice in the cause of righteousness. We behave foolishly, assuming just ends can be accomplished by unjust means. We follow voices that tell us to hate and to fear, instead of love and accept. Hear our cry, Lord. Rescue us in our hour of distress. Set us on a new path, so that we might demand freedom and dignity for all of God's children.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #581

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

# TO HEAR GOD'S WORD OF GRACE

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 51: 1-6

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

MUSIC

"There's a Quiet Understanding"  
Sung by Bill Young

WILSON

There's a quiet understanding when we're gathered in the Spirit,  
It's a promise that he gives us when we gather in His name.  
There's a love we feel in Jesus, there's a manna that he feeds us;  
it's a promise that he gives us, when we gather in His name.

And we know when we're together, sharing love and understanding,  
that our brothers and our sisters feel the oneness that he brings.  
Thank you, thank you, thank you, Jesus,  
for the way you love and feed us, for the many ways you lead us,  
Thank you, thank you, Lord.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 1:8-2:10

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

"Bundle of Hope"

Rev. George W. Chapman III

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH WITH GRATITUDE

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERING

\*Doxology #606, *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\*Prayer of Dedication

## THEN DEPART BLESSED TO SERVE

\*HYMN #300

"They'll Know We are Christians"

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

SENDING MUSIC



Rev. George W. Chapman III (church@atmc.net)  
Kathy Sasso, Office Administrator;  
Linda Rowell, Church Treasurer; Joyce Winkler, Qualified Ruling Elder;  
Rev. Cathy Chang & Juan Lopez, Philippines Mission Workers



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