



SHALLOTTE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

15th Sunday after Pentecost | September 10, 2023

LET THE WISE LISTEN AND ADD TO THEIR LEARNING, AND LET THE DISCERNING GET GUIDANCE
PROVERBS 1:5

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

CALLED BY GOD WE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC

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.)

Joyous Hymn Prelude on "Hyfrydol"

Healey Willan

Guest Organist - Darleen Smith

OPENING WORDS & PRAYER *(adapted from Psalm 149)*

Liturgist - Gail Thomas

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song;
praise him in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in its Maker;

let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise his name with dancing,
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with victory.

Let the faithful exult in his glory; let them sing for joy.

*HYMN #611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of all, you send your Spirit of wisdom to guide us in the way of righteousness, but we confess how we ignore her voice. We seek bliss in ignorance and refuse to learn. We speak without knowledge, make uninformed judgments, and remain blind to the guidance of your Word. Forgive our arrogance, Lord. Open our ears to hear wisdom's cry. Teach us and mold us; increase understanding and insight within us, so that we may live and act as empowered servants in your name.

SILENT PRAYER/ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #581

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD OF GRACE

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 23:1-12

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

MUSIC "Will You Come and Follow Me" Michael Burkhardt
Choral Anthem - (You are invited to follow along, Hymn #726 in your hymnal)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Proverbs 1:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON "High Class" 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 #366

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

HYFRYDOL

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

SENDING MUSIC - "Fugue in C Major"

Dietrich Buxtehude



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