

"Everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected, provided it is received with thanksgiving." – I Timothy 4:4

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 1, 2024 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost

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

PRELUDE "Interlude" Leon Boellmann

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

And also with you.

[Please take a brief moment to greet those around you.]

CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY

OPENING WORDS & PRAYER (adapted from Psalm 15)

O LORD, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right,

who speak the truth from their heart,

who honor those who fear the LORD,

Those who do these things shall never be moved.

and who stand by their oath even to their hurt.

*HYMN #14 "For The Beauty of The Earth"

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator God, you have formed all humankind in your image, but we confess how we deny your likeness in ourselves and others. We are easily led astray by voices who encourage us to pursue the things that we want instead of what is righteous or just. Forgive us, Lord. Renew us by your Spirit of truth. May we seek your favor in all that we say and do, so that the hope and dignity of all people may be protected, restored, and magnified.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: #581 "Glory Be to the Father"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: II Kings 4:8-21, 32-37

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE [11:00]

SOLO "Hymn of Promise"

Natalie Sleeth

Gail Thomas – Soprano

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree; In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, Unrevealed until it's season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody; There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what is holds, a mystery, Unrevealed until it's season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity.
In our doubt, there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death a resurrection; at the last a victory,
Unrevealed until it's season, something God alone can see.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: I Timothy 6:3-16

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Gentleman's Agreement"

Rev. George W. Chapman III

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

What do we believe?

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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Thanksgiving

May the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

OFFFRING

*Response: Hymn #606 "Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow"

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

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Ushers: Erskine Blount & John Cardwell Greeters: Sally Gunn & Beth Spoon Servers: Rusty Russ, Sarah Henry & Erskine Blount Liturgist: Mike Claxton Acolyte: Steven Vattimo

The flowers are to the glory of God with thanksgiving for Pastor George & Myra Chapman.

NEW MEMBERS' CLASSES will recommence October 20 & 27. There is no obligation to join the church should you decide to participate, nor are these classes required for membership. They merely present an opportunity to learn more about this church, the history of Presbyterianism, and the theological beliefs that distinguish us from other Christian denominations. Classes will take place following 11:00 worship and lunch will be provided, so if you are planning on attending, please RSVP with the church office no later than October 16.

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