

"Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights." – James 1:17

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 10, 2024 – Consecration Sunday

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

PRELUDE "Allegretto" Muzio Clementi

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

INTROIT

# OPENING WORDS & PRAYER (adapted from I Chronicles 16:28-34)

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,

ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

bring an offering, and come before him.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, 'The Lord is king!'

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of All, Christ alone sets the standard for giving and compassion, but we confess how we hold back. We hold back our gifts, and we hold back our talents. We hold back our presence and our voice. We treat love and grace as scarce commodities to be carefully rationed instead of abundantly shared. Forgive us, Lord. Remind us of the true bounty of your love. Inspire us by your Spirit to be the good stewards of your church, so that your kingdom may be revealed through the generosity of your servants.

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: I Kings 17:8-16

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE

ANTHEM [11:00]

"First Fruits"

**Ruth Elaine Schram** 

This house is not for us, but for You, oh Lord;
Deserving of nothing less than our greatest and our best.
And so, to You, oh Lord, we offer the first fruits, of all that we possess.
With humility, and with gratitude, we bring to this house our gifts for You.
For we know that all these gifts have come from You; they already belong to You.
Lord we offer with a contrite heart, all we have and all we are.
Take our silver and our gold; not a mite would we withhold.
And so, to You, oh Lord, we offer the first fruits of all that we possess.
With humility, and with gratitude, we bring to this house our gifts for You.
For we know that all these gifts have come from You; they already belong to You.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: II Corinthians 9:6-15

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Credo" Rev. Dr. Ed McLeod

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from, the PC (USA) Book of Order, F-1.01b

What do we believe?

The mission of God in Christ gives shape and substance to the life and work of the Church. In Christ, the Church participates in God's mission for the transformation of creation and humanity by proclaiming to all people the good news of God's love, offering to all people the grace of God at font and table, and calling all people to discipleship in Christ. Human beings have no higher goal in life than to glorify and enjoy God now and forever, living in covenant fellowship with God and participating in God's mission. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### **OFFERING**

\*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.

# \*CONSECRATION OF PLEDGES (Responsive)

For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ,

II Co. 8:9

that though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor,

so that by his poverty we might become rich.

Love has been perfected among us in this way:

I.In. 4:17

that we may serve the Lord with boldness.

Let whoever is of a generous heart bring an offering to the Lord.

Ex. 35:5

With a freewill-offering I will sacrifice to you;

I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for it is good. Amen.

Ps. 54:6

\*HYMN #360

"Christ is Coming"

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<sup>\*</sup>CHARGE & BENEDICTION

#### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

#### **POSTLUDE**

Ushers: Steve Wingfield & Erskine Blount Greeters: Kitty Green & Jeanne Curry Liturgist: Dave Green Acolyte: Seamus Smithwick

The flowers are dedicated to the glory of God by Rusty, Polly Russ & Family in loving memory of Rebecca Jean Russ.

# SPC WELCOMES REV.DR. ED MCLEOD

Shallotte Presbyterian Church is delighted to welcome Rev. Dr. Ed McLeod as our preacher for Consecration Sunday. Ed attended the College of William & Mary as an undergraduate, where he graduated with a degree in Government, before attaining his Doctor of Ministry from Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. He has served churches in Columbia, SC (Eastminster, 1985-1989), Greer, SC (First, 1989-1995), and Sumter, SC (First, 1995-2004). He recently retired from First Presbyterian, Raleigh, NC, where he was Head Pastor from 2004 to 2023. Rev. Dr. McLeod has also served on the Board of Trustees for Union Presbyterian Seminary and William Peace University. He and his wife, Jenny, have been married since 1983. They have two children and five grandchildren.



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