

The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island
Sunday, February 14, 2021
Transfiguration of the Lord

"Gathering in God's presence..."

Prelude

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Kathleen Thomerson

Words of Welcome

Opening Hymn

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

St. Margaret

*O love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.*

*O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.*

*O joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be.*

*O cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.*

Prayer of Confession

*God of Love,
We confess we are sometimes impatient, and often unkind,
We are quick to envy, and find subtle ways to boast.
There are times we are rude, and lift ourselves up as we put others down.*

Loving God teach us to love

*God of Love,
We confess that we are quickly angered,
We are quick to record how often we've been wronged.
There are times we celebrate the misfortune of others.*

Loving God teach us to love

*God of Love,
We confess that we put ourselves first,
We're reluctant to give, we are slow to sacrifice,
There are times we hesitate to protect.*

Loving God teach us to love

*When we are tempted to judge, to assume the worst...
May love remind us to trust
When we are tempted to despair, to assume all is lost...
May love remind us to hope
When we are tempted to give up, to assume it will never happen...
May love remind us to persevere*

Loving God teach us to love, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (I John 4:9-11)

“This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” Amen.

Response

We Are Forgiven

***We are Forgiven, We are Forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
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Hearing God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading:

I Corinthians 13:4-13

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Reflections

The Greatest of These is Love

PCEI Members

How has love triumphed in your experiences?

What does 1 Corinthians 13 look like in your day-to-day relationship/s?

How does understanding God’s love for humankind seen in I Corinthians 13 impact your daily life?

Our Response

Special Music

Jesus Loves Me

Jordan Mae Bazzle

Prayers of the People & 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, forever. Amen.

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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

Benediction

Postlude

Jesus Loves Me

...sending in God’s name.”

Leading Worship Today:
Liturgy – Joyce Lybrand
Reflections – Sam Lybrand, Mike & Ann Atchley, Bonnie Inabinet
Violin – Jordan Mae Bazzle
Music Director – Sheri Melton
Pastor Ashley Sanders

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