

The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island
Sunday, September 12, 2021
16th Sunday After Pentecost
10:00 AM
Rally Day



RALLY ROUND CHRIST'S WORDS

Printed words to music and prayers are to use as silent meditation during the service.

“Gathering in God’s presence...

Ringling of the Hour

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Linda Manus

Prelude

Thy Word

Thy Word

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Instrumental Hymn

We All Are One in Mission

Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvogelein

*We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single, great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together that all may know Christ’s love.*

*We all are called for service to witness in God’s name.
Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others by God’s surprising grace,
so every folk and nation may feel God’s warm embrace.*

*Now let us be united and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God’s redeeming word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.*

Silent Prayer of Confession

As we rally this day and celebrate with joy your Word and grace among us, we also confess our sin as a church. We confess that we have sometimes thought of the church as a refuge *from* the world, rather than as sent *into* the world. We confess that we have sometimes become consumers of consolation, forgetful that we are comforted in our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the very consolation we ourselves have received from God. We confess we have often withheld compassion from the despised and rejected, and have remained mute when the blood of the innocents has cried out to heaven. We have at times looked silently on while the poor have been exploited and robbed even as the strong have been enriched. We have failed to consistently proclaim the righteousness of God, promote justice, and seek reconciliation in our living. We have, in short, rallied behind other gods. Forgive us our sin as a church, we pray, and help us to rally again around your Son, our Lord, Jesus the Christ.

Musical Response

Amen

Harling



Assurance of Pardon

With words in prayer to God, Jesus spoke and made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak. In the same way, our merciful God lifts our burdens from us, removes the failures of our past and turns us to new life. Believe in the good news: you are forgiven. Alleluia. Follow Christ in peace.

Musical Response

Alleluia!

Celtic Alleluia



Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture Read:

Christ's Words

Musical Response

Thy Word

Thy Word

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Reflection

Rally Round Christ's Words

Rev. Ashley Sanders

Our Response

If you are wearing a mask, we invite you to say the Lord's Prayer with a quiet voice.

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.

Body Prayer

Gracious God, we gather in your name and we come with our joys and our sorrows, with our gifts and broken parts. (Hug arms to chest.)

We pray for our church. Show us the ways to reach out to others with the love of Christ. (Spread arms open wide to reach out.)

Be with your followers of all ages as we rally around your Words. (Hands in prayer posture.)

As your Word is proclaimed we realize we have used our fists to fight. (Make fists.)

We have used pointed our fingers at others to make them feel ashamed. (Point finger.)

We have put our hands in our pockets when we might have helped someone. (Move hands to pockets.)

So, today we dedicate our hands and bodies to you, God. (Move hands, palms open out in front of you.)

Be with us as we open them. (Move arms wide with hands still open.)

Help us to use them to praise you and wave at our neighbors. (Wave at those around you.)

Help us to think of ways to fill them with what our neighbors need. (Hold hands up as if full.)

This prayer, we make in your name, as we dedicate ourselves to you. (Hands in prayer posture.)
Amen.

Offering our Discipleship & Sharing of Tithes & Offerings

Kindly place your offering in one of the baskets as you leave the service. Or, consider online giving by going to our website (www.pcedisto.org) and clicking "Give Online" or text the amount you'd like to give to 833-458-3379, click the link they send you, and fill out the information requested. This is a safe and secure way to give your tithe or offering to the church.

Musical Response

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

Rally Round Christ's Words

"Follow me..."

Evangelism & Outreach

"Search and you will find..."

Sunday School/Bible Study/Christian Ed

Light Unto the Island

Anne Rooney Preschool

"Worship the Lord and serve only him."

Worship

Music/Choirs

"You give them something to eat."

Food Pantry/Fresh Express

Mission

"Go and do likewise."

Good Samaritan Clinic

Stitch Sisters

"Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

Fellowship

"Go and make disciples"

Benediction

Postlude

Go to the World!

Sine Nomine

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,

Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

For I am with you till the age shall end,

When all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"

Alleluia. Alleluia

...sending in God's name."

Leading Worship:
Liturgy – Linda Manus
Vocals – Lisa Barnes and Heather Hutton
Music Director – Sheri Melton
Pastor – Ashley Sanders

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