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> June 18, 2023 10:00 AM

THE LORD'S DAY

Order of Worship

Third Sunday After Pentecost June 18, 2023

The Family of Believers Comes Together Responding to Christ's Call

(Please silence your cell phones) (This worship service is being recorded from Prelude through the Special Music)

Prelude

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Christ light bids us to proclaim the good news that "the kingdom of heaven has come near."

Call to Worship (Responsively) — Based on Psalm 100

Let all creation sing with gladness;

Make a joyful noise to the Creator!

Come and abide with the One who formed us;

Make a joyful noise to the Creator!

Give thanks, and praise, and bless God's name;

Make a joyful noise to God!

*Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Hymnal #611

*Invitation to Confession

The proof of God's love is this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Assured already of God's grace and forgiveness, let us confess our sin together.

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Almighty God, you have promised liberation for your people, and reconciliation for all of creation. We confess that we have grown

(* - Please stand as you are able)

weary of waiting. We have lowered our hopes, and scaled our expectations according to the world, rather than believing in your steadfast Word. We confess that we have grown comfortable in our waiting. We cry out for justice if it doesn't cost us too much. We proclaim your liberation if it doesn't impinge on the freedoms that we value most. We want to follow Jesus, healing the sick and doing good deeds, but we don't want to be mistreated or hated. We don't want to stir up the dust, much less shake it from our feet. Forgive us, we pray. Give us words to speak your liberating Word and endurance to persevere until your kin-dom comes. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Hear the good news: God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness is promised to all generations. We are justified by faith, forgiven and freed, and at peace with God and each other through Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

*Congregational Response "Gloria Patri"

Hymnal #581

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.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 21:1-7

P. 16-17

The Sacrament of Baptism (Insert)

Reagan LeeAnn Flaherty, daughter of Mike and Julie-Anna Flaherty

Psalm Reading

Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19

P. 564-565

Reading and Proclamation of the Word Learning God's Ways

*Gospel Reading

Matthew 9: 35 - 10:8

P. 9-10

The wisdom of God for all people; the call of God to all who live.

Thanks be to God.

Message "Good News for Young and Old"

Invitation to the Offering

Jesus sent the disciples, empty-handed, to carry out his work, trusting in God's provision for their needs. We give out of our abundance to continue the work of Jesus Christ in the world today. In faith and hope, let us offer our gifts to God.

Offertory

Doxology Hymnal #606

Prayer of Dedication

Liberating God, use these gifts to transform the world, to bring about your justice, peace, and reconciliation for all creation. Transform us as

we offer them, to be partners and co-creators of your beloved kin-dom. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen**.

Special Music "Faith of Our Fathers" Arr. Tedd Smith and Don Hustad

Organ and Piano Duet: Nancy Jones and Ian Fallon

The Church in Action Life in the Church

Prayers of the People Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn "Come Sing to God"

Hymnal #805

Parting Greeting

--Pastor Ray is on vacation beginning tomorrow, June 19 through July 9. If you have need of spiritual care please call Clerk of Session, Pete McCallum (443-987-4612) and he will mobilize our elders. He will also be able to engage our Pastor Emeritus, Bill Netting, for an emergency need.

Benediction

Postlude

*Various portions of our worship liturgy regularly come from - "Call to Worship: Lectionary Aids 2022, Year C," & "Rev-o-lution Resources" by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell and The Rev. Teri McDowell Ott., The Presbyterian Outlook.

Thank You ~ to Tyler Gray and Sam Tharpe for serving as our Worship Assistants this morning. Also, thank you to Stacy Scarff, Music Director, Nancy Jones, Organist, Ian Fallon, Pianist, and our Chancel Choir for sharing their special music today ~ all of our Worship is to the Glory of God!

Trustee on Duty – Donald Jones

From the Deacons...

The Deacons are organizing a Meal Train page for Stu and Heidi Richardson and their family living with them. The Richardsons have been facing long-term health issues for some time, and a weekly meal would be helpful and much appreciated by them. Please use the link below to sign up if you would like to bless them by participating. If you have questions or need help delivering a meal, please contact Mary Beverly Gallagher at (410) 937-2500, or dartfrog999@gmail.com.

https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/R44V7L

For those without access to a computer, please contact Koren Buehler at (410) 937-9172 to sign up. Maybe consider teaming up with someone else to make it easier!

National Suicide Prevention Hotline – 1-800-273-8255 or <u>Dial 988</u> Please reach out if you or someone you know needs help.



Our Tithes and Offerings

You can now give to Highland electronically through our <u>secure e-Giving</u> option provided through the Presbyterian Mission Exchange. You can set up a giving profile (which will save your giving information if you wish) to either give a one-time gift or to make regular giving easy.

Click "Give Now" above (also posted on Highland's website) or you can scan the QR code at the bottom with your smart phone to set up your profile and begin giving electronically today!

As always, you may make your contribution to the Church via check. If you are giving to a certain fund, please designate on your check and/or giving envelope the amount given to each fund.

Thank you for your prayers & continued financial support of Highland Church!



Prayer List

* - Denotes New Addition

THANKSGIVING TO:

All fathers

Our Thread of Hope Ministry

All book and food gifts

June birthdays

INTERCESSIONS FOR:

*Allegrini family (Ian)

*Teresa House (Elizabeth. Smith-Ensor)

*Bobby Lloyd (Craig D.)

*Family of accident victim

*Stiletto family (Dolly)

*Glenn Kern (Dolly)

*George Liptrap (Dolly)

Family of Sarah Bance (McCallums)

Allen Roth's grandchild (age 10)

Family of Joyce Lilly

Mary Beverly Gallagher (herself)

Renee Moore (Chelsea Moore)

Luka (Savannah T)

Diana Freidel (Dolly)

LONG-TERM PRAYERS NEEDED

Kim Kron (Claudia)

Aunt Nancy & Uncle Felix (Wilson)

David Crowl (Marilyn T.)

Frank Thayer & Janet Gilley (Dolly)

Bill Summerfield (brother of Steve S.)

Pat Scarborough (Claudia Scarborough)

Leroy Gross (Jean Bullen)

Deb Degan (Durands)

Gavin Jones (Sherry F.)

Lynne Carlson (Jack Carlson)

Kathy Watson (Kathy)

Anne Giordano (Nancy M.)

Dorothy Shahan (Julie-Anna Flaherty)

Heidi and Stu Richardson

Joe Skidmore (Steve Taylor)

Richard Wilmoth III (Wilson)

Bud Amos

Wallace Wilson

Ruth Noble (mother-in-law of Donna Noble)

Sharan Deinlein (Mary Thompson)

Amy Kraft & daughter (Doss)

Jewel Sams (Doss)

Evelyn Moessinger

Thelma Galbreath

Patrick Volker (Claudia)

MINISTRIES

Local - All Outreach Ministries

United Methodist Churches—discernment

Presbytery of Baltimore - W. Virginia Adv

Susquehanna Parish - Bethel Presbyterian

Church-All Leadership, HPC Legacy Bldg Team

Missions-Pine Ridge Reservation & Porcupine

OUR MILITARY

Cathy Durand Cantu, Coast Guard – Alaska Ryan Richardson, Navy Reserves

COMMUNITY, NATION & WORLD CONCERNS

*Counter offensive in Ukraine

*Control of Canadian fires

Local and all United Methodist Churches

Rain needed in region

Ethnic tensions in Kosovo

Sudan civil war

Victims/loved ones of all acts of Violence

All Care-givers

◆ Please email Carolyn Patrinicola with all prayer-related <u>additions</u>, <u>changes</u> & <u>removals</u> by <u>Tuesday mornings 10:00 AM</u> to ensure that they will be included in next Sunday's bulletin. Names under Intercessions will be removed after 3 weeks unless otherwise instructed by email. Email for Carolyn Patrinicola is cwpat64@gmail.com.