

New Hope Presbyterian Church

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2024

10:30am Worship Service

††† Indicates where those who are able may stand.
Hearing devices are available in the narthex for those who need them.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude Patricia Hart

Greeting and Announcements Elder, Rich Zoltak

Opening Prayer Elder, Rich Zoltak

††† Call to Worship Liturgist

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

ALL: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: The last are first in the realm of God;

ALL: the least are welcomed in Jesus' name.

Let us worship God.

††† Opening Hymn #738 purple hymnal

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

††† Prayer of Humility Liturgist

ALL: Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. We sow the seeds of conflict while you seek the harvest of peace. We argue about who is greatest while you welcome the last and least. Forgive us, God of grace. Draw near to us this day with the wisdom of your Word, and teach us how to serve you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silence.

One: The God who loves and sustains you hears your plea. The Lord desires for you a welcome into the blessed community of freedom and light. You are forgiven. Remember the poor and the outcast, welcome the child, and you will know, as well, your own welcome, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, Creator of all things, now and forever.*

ALL: Amen.

††† Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Liturgist

ALL: Your Word is our wisdom; it gives us insight, strength, and courage. Open our hearts and our minds on this day, that we might receive what you want to give. Speak, Lord! Your people listen! Amen.*

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 1

Liturgist

One: This is the Word of The Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Reading

Mark 9:30-37

page 1569 in pew Bible

One: This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

ALL: Christ’s name be praised.

Sermon

“Who Is the Greatest?”

Elder, Rich Zoltak

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

††† Responsive Hymn

“Take My Life”

#697 in hymnal

Time of Self Offering with Offertory

††† Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

††† Prayer of Dedication

ALL: Lord, We thank you for the wealth you shower on us daily, and we witness the marvelous goodness that comes from you. Transform these gifts into signs of welcome for all who are touched by their use. Transform us into people who bless others throughout each day, in Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.*

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

ALL: 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.

SENDING THE CHURCH INTO THE WORLD WITH THE WORD

✠✠✠ Closing Hymn “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” #547 in hymnal

✠✠✠ Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Patricia Hart



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