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Order of Worship, First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 15, 2021

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements

Prelude

“Quiet Devotion”

R.K. Boesiger

For Prayer and Reflection:

God our Living Father, we give you thanks for sending our Lord Jesus Christ to give his life as bread for the world. Fill us now with your Spirit that we may make the most of the time, understanding your will and expressing your wisdom in the midst of the people you have chosen. Amen.

Call to Worship

Come, let us praise God together in the company of his gathered people.

For the works of our God are unparalleled.

Everything He does reveals his glory and majesty.

Our God is full of grace and mercy, and his righteousness never fails.

So come and worship, all you who revere the Lord,
for reverence and awe is the foundation of true wisdom.

Opening Prayer

**Hymn of Praise #48*

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

St. Denio

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all praise we would render, O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, the voice of your wisdom rings out in the world, guiding us to place our trust in you. The voice of your wisdom rings out in the world, challenging us to seek the things that matter. Too often, O Lord, we refuse to listen. We place our trust in things that are fleeting. We seek the things that make us comfortable, rather than seeking the way of your peace. Forgive us, God of grace, and teach us to walk in the path lined by your Wisdom.

Silent Confession (Here let each worshiper offer silent, personal prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

***Gloria Patri** (#734)

“Glory Be to the Father”

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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.

Children’s Message

Special Music

“Consecration”

arr. Beck

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

John 6:51-58

Second Scripture Reading

1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

Sermon

“Windows to God, Mirrors for the Soul: The King Is Dead”

***Songs of Response**

Hymn #464

“May the Mind of Christ, My Savior”

St. Leonards

May the mind of Christ my Savior,
Live in me from day to day,
By his love and power controlling
All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph
Only through his power.

May the peace of God, my Father,
Rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me,
As the waters fill the sea,
Him exalting, self abasing--
This is victory.

May I run the race before me,
Strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus
As I onward go.

“Sanctuary”

author unknown

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true,
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

***Affirmation of Faith**

“The Apostles’ Creed”

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and 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.

***Sending Hymn #502**

“Be Thou My Vision”

Slane

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art--
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

“The Abundant Life”

G. Parker

**Those who are able, please stand.*

We invite you to observe social distancing as you exit the sanctuary and to visit with one another outdoors at your leisure.

Leaders in worship:

Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells
Liturgist: Linda Longfield
Music Director & pianist: Kristen Eby
Special Music: Katy Perreard & Leon Thompson
Musicians: John & Kristen Eby, Linda Longfield

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