Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 1, 2021

Gathering God invites us to enter His presence

Prelude For All a Full Atonement Made Howell
All the Way My Savior Leads Me Mason

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Time for Silent Preparation)

Call to Worship

Celia Weber

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us and we are his;

we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Let us worship the Triune God.

∮ Invocation

Celia Weber

Our Father,

you are in heaven, high and lifted up, higher than our highest thoughts.

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Holy is your name;

beside you there is no other!

You are God, and you alone!

Receive us into your kingdom—the coming kingdom—

the kingdom of your anointed Son, Jesus, whose name we bear.

Receive us, for we come to you in his name—

we pray in him and with him.

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn

Jesus, Firm Foundation

How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word What more can He say than to you He has said To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled

Fear not He is with us O be not dismayed For He is our God our Sustainer and Strength He'll be our Defender and cause us to stand Upheld by His merciful almighty hand

Chorus

How firm our foundation How sure our salvation And we will not be shaken Jesus firm foundation

The soul that is trusting in Jesus as Lord Will press on enduring the darkest of storm And though even hell should endeavor to shake He'll never no never no never forsake He'll never no never no never forsake

Bridge

Age to age He stands faithful to the end All may fade away but He will remain He will remain

Confessing God invites us to be honest with Him

Prayer of Confession

Celia Weber

Forgive us our sins, O Lord. Forgive us the sins of our youth and the sins of our age, the sins of our soul and the sins of our body, our secret and our whispering sins, our presumptuous and our careless sins, the sins we have done to please ourselves, and the sins we have done to please others. Forgive us the sins that we know, and the sins that we know not; forgive them, O Lord, forgive them all because of your great goodness. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Celia Weber

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

♥ Gloria Patri

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. A-men, A-men.

Offering Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Offering

Offertory The King of Love My Shepherd Is - Rodriguez

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Sacrament of Baptism (Isabel and Gretchen Hartenstein)

Invitation

Vows

Having heard God's gracious promises to us in Christ, Isabel and Gretchen, do you desire to be baptized?

I do.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

I do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

To The Congregation:

Do you, the members of this congregation, and in the name of the visible Church of our Lord Jesus Christ, take responsibility for the continued Christian nurture of Isabel and Gretchen, promising to set a Godly example by your own life, and to pray for them in this new life of faith?

Do you? We do.

Profession of Faith

We 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 Spirit. Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died, and buried;

The third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth at 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 Spirit, The holy catholic church. The communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

Baptism

Song of Blessing: The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Prayer of Thanksgiving

New Members

Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God and without hope for your salvation except in His sovereign mercy? **I do.**

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and the Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for your salvation as He is offered in the gospel? **I do.**

Do you now promise and resolve, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ? **I do.**

Do you promise to serve Christ in His Church by supporting and participating with this congregation in its service of God and its ministry to others to the best of your ability? **I do.**

Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church and to the spiritual oversight of this Church Session, and do you promise to promote the unity, purity and peace of the Church? **I do.**

Welcome



For the Beauty of the Earth

Proclaiming

God speaks to us through His Word

Scripture Reading

Proverbs 3:9-10, 13-18

⁹ Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce;

then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

- ¹³ Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding,
- ¹⁴ for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold.
- ¹⁵ She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her.
- 16 Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor.
- ¹⁷ Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.
- ¹⁸ She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called blessed.

Proverbs 10:15-16, 11:4, 24, 26

- ¹⁵ A rich man's wealth is his strong city; the poverty of the poor is their ruin.
- ¹⁶ The wage of the righteous leads to life, the gain of the wicked to sin.
- ⁴ Riches do not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death.
- One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want.
- ²⁶ The people curse him who holds back grain, but a blessing is on the head of him who sells it.

Sermon

"Wealth & Poverty" Rev. Tim Latham

Responding We respond to God's Word

¶ Hymn 342

Just as I Am

Sacrament of Communion

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise!

Invitation to the Table

Leader: For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you

proclaim the Lord's death until He comes Again!

People: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again!

Prayer of Consecration

<u>Commissioning</u> God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Hymn 321 According to Thy Gracious Word

Benediction & Blessing

Postlude Postludium in F Stairs

Congregational Meeting

*Receiving Communion is a sign of belonging to Christ. Only those who have been baptized and have made a public confession of faith in Christ should partake of the bread and wine. Baptized children may receive Communion after instruction by their parents.