

Order of Worship

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 12, 2021

The liturgical color is green symbolizing the time when we remember discipleship.

We lift up prayers for the community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.

- Prelude** "Majesty" arr. Raney
Wesley Choir, Adult Handbells, Organ, Piano
(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative.)
- Welcome** Rev. Dr. George K. Howle
- * **The Chiming of the Hour** *(congregation stands)*
- * **Opening Hymn** "Praise to the Lord, The Almighty" UMH #139
(vs. 1,2,5-words on pg.2)
- * **Affirmation of Faith** Rev. Meredith M. Dark | UMH #881
- * **The Gloria Patri** UMH #70
- Sacrament of Holy Baptism | 11:00** UMH #39
John Patrick "J.P." McKlveen
- Baptismal Hymn** "Child of Blessing" UMH #611
- Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Dark
- 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.
- Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings**
(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time)
- Offertory** "A Gospel Duet for Piano and Organ" Charles Callahan
- * **The Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95
- * **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Dark
- Children's Message** Rev. Jennifer Hupko **8:30**
Yvonne Brittain **11:00**
*11:00 | Children 3 years old to 1st grade are invited to attend Little Church.
Please pick them up following the service in room 201, Wesley Bldg.*
- * **Hymn of Preparation** "Amazing Grace" UMH #378
(vs. 1,2,3,6-words on pg.2)
- * **Sermon Text** Luke 12:35-36, 40, 47-48 Gerrie Watson **8:30**
Harriet Clark **11:00**
- Anthem** "Glory and Praise" arr. Liebergen
Choir, Handbells, Trumpets, Organ, Piano
- Sermon** "READY, ALERT AND FAITHFUL" Rev. Bill Bouknight III
- * **Closing Hymn** "Rejoice, The Lord is King" UMH #715
(vs. 1,2,4-words on pg.2)
- * **Benediction** Rev. Bouknight
- Postlude** "Holy, Holy, Holy" Dan Miller
Organ, Piano

(* Please stand as you are able.

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning
bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds. Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen, sound from his people again; gladly forever adore him.

“Amazing Grace”

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.
Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Savior reigns, the Rod of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,
And take his servants up to their eternal home.
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice, the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

The Fellowship of the Unashamed

by: Bob Moorehead

“I am part of the Fellowship of the Unashamed. My past is redeemed and my future is secure. I have Holy Spirit power. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I am a disciple of Jesus. I won't look back, let up, or back down. I am finished with low living, small planning, chintzy giving, and tame visions. My face is set, my road is narrow, my guide reliable, and my mission clear. I cannot be bought, compromised, detoured, diluted or delayed. I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of adversity, negotiate at the table of the enemy, or meander in the maze of mediocrity. I won't give up, shut up, or slow up. I am a disciple of Jesus. And when he comes to get his own, he'll have no problem recognizing me. My colors will be clear.”

Guest Musicians: Darleen Smith, *Organ*; D. Scott Ferguson, *Piano*; John Washburn, *Trumpet*;
James “Bull” Canty, *Trumpet*; Wesley Choir; Adult Handbells, Jayne Smith, *Director*.

The **Flowers** that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Carrie Inabinet's 97th birthday on September 10th and the baptism today of John Patrick McKlveen.

We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

Please use personal discretion for Masks and Distancing in all church buildings and be respectful of others. Masks are recommended.

Assisting in Worship

GREETERS

8:30 Front Linda Lox

8:30 Broadway Ann & Ron Anderson

8:30 Office Martha & Joe Castellano

11:00 Front Sherrill & Charlie Allen

11:00 Broadway Naomi & Harris D'Antignac

11:00 Office Ann Anderson

USHERS

8:30 Toby Ward, Harold Branton; Ann Andrews, Ron Andrews, Jerry Champion, Kevin Cribb, Greg Clemmons, Claylene Gore, Judy Hall, Roger Hall, Sylvia Harmon, Dennis Neptune, Arne Pedersen, Gene Singleton, Judy Winn, Tom Winn.

11:00 Clark Butler, Gene Butler, Tracey Connor, Alec McMillan, Keith McMillan

VIDEO | Jim Lewis

AUDIO | **8:30** Dan Fleming

11:00 Winn Singleton

