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Presbytery of the Mid-South, Synod of Living Waters.

Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

July 16, 2017

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude Jesus, Lover of My Soul Gordon Young (1919-1998)

The congregation stands to sing

Processional Hymn 464 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Hymn to Joy

Opening Sentences

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the Amen.)

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy and live according to it, that we may grow in faith, hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The congregation sits.

Prayer of Confession Unison

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you.

You call, but we have not listened.

We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns.

We condone evil, prejudice, warfare and greed.

God of grace, help us to admit our sin,

so that, as you come to us in mercy,

we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;

through Jesus Christ our Redeemer ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 301 **Lord Jesus, Think on Me** **Southwell**

Pastor: *The peace of Christ be always with you.*

People: *And also with you.*

Passing of the Peace (*Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.*)

Welcome and Announcements

The children come to the Baptismal Font for a

Time with Young Christians

Old Testament

Genesis 25:19-34

Psalm 119:105-112

Unison

Your word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,

to observe your righteous ordinances.

I am severely afflicted; give me life, O Lord, according to your word.

Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord,

and teach me your ordinances.

I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law.

The wicked have laid a snare for me,

but I do not stray from your precepts.

Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Anthem **Sing to the Lord a Joyful Song** **David Catherwood, 1996**

Sing to the Lord a joyful song; sing Alleluia.

Lift up your hearts, your voices raise; sing to the Lord.

To us his gracious gifts belong, Alleluia.

To him our songs of love and praise, sing to the Lord.

For he is Lord of heav'n and earth, whom angels serve and saints adore,

the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to whom be praise forevermore.

Sing to the Lord. (-- J.B. Monsell, 1863)

Epistle

Romans 8:1-11

Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Sermon

Handle with Care

Mike Krech

"Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.' Esau said, 'I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?'"

Genesis 25:31-32

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 357

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Maryton

Apostles' Creed

Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional

Gloria Patri 579

Henry W. Greatorex,

1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

The Lord's Prayer

(debts/debtors)

Unison; Hymnal, page 16,

Traditional

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Canon in D

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 361

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

Postlude

Maestoso

Gordon Young

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

We are in the season of Sundays after Trinity Sunday, also called Ordinary Time.

The liturgical color is green, emblematic of the growth in faith these lessons want us to achieve.