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

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Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

August 12, 2018

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude Prelude on *Jesus, Lead Thou On* Gordon Young

The congregation stands to sing

Processional Hymn 481 Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show Llanfair

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**.)

Grant, O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfillment of all our need and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread, which you have given us in Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation sits.

Prayer of Confession Unison

Almighty and most merciful Father:

We have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against Thy holy laws.

**We have left undone those things which we ought to have done
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done,
and there is no health in us.**

But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their faults;
restore Thou those who are penitent**

**according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus, our Lord,
and grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life
to the glory of thy holy name ...**

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 384 O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go St. Margaret

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 may bring their “ringing collection” and come to the Baptismal Font for a Time with Young Christians

Old Testament 2 Samuel 18:5-33

Psalm 130 Unison

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice.

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits, and in God’s word I hope.

My soul waits for the Lord

more than those who watch for the morning,

more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem.

It is the Lord who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Anthem Blessed Assurance Phoebe P. Knapp

Grace Notes Hand Bell Choir arr. Sandra Eithun

Gospel John 6:35,41-51

Epistle Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Sermon Any Limits on Love? Mike Krech

“Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.” Ephesians 5:1-2

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 345 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind Rest

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 *Lord, Thy Word Abideth* Tune: *Ravenshaw* arr. Tom Birchwood

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 376 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Hyfrydol

Postlude *Let Praise Ring Forth* Edward Broughton

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

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

Our Gospel readings from now until Advent begins on December 2 come mostly from Mark, though for a couple weeks now from John.

The Old Testament readings from Samuel and Kings follow the life of David.

The Epistle readings come from the letter to the Ephesians.

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

(JMK)