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

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Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

September 2, 2018

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude Chorale Prelude on O Worship the King George Thalben-Ball

The congregation stands to sing

Processional Hymn 142 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Coronation

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**.)

O God, author and giver of all good things: Plant within our hearts the love of your name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 485 To God Be the Glory To God Be the Glory

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 – Congregational Meeting

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

Old Testament

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Psalm 45:1-2,6-9

Unison

My heart overflows with a goodly theme;

I address my verses to the king;

my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever.

Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;

you love righteousness and hate wickedness.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you

with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.

Your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.

From ivory palaces stringed instruments make you glad;

Daughter of kings are among your ladies of honor;

at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

Anthem

Eternal Life

Olive Dungan, 1949

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace: Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console,

To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned. It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

(-- attributed to St. Francis of Assisi)

Karen Schlichte, soprano

Epistle

James 1:17-27

Gospel

Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Sermon

From the Inside Out

Mike Krech

“ ... there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out
are what defile.”

Mark 7:15

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

Hymn setting on St. Magnus

Healey Willan

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 415

Come, Labor On

Ora Labora

Postlude Choral dans le style de J.S. Bach on ADORO TE DEVOTE

Alexandre Guilmant

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.

The Old Testament readings are from the Wisdom literature, traditionally attributed to King Solomon.

The Epistle readings are from the Letter of James and later the Letter to the Hebrews.

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

(JMK)