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Worships God in Word and Sacrament at 11:00 a.m. July 21, 2019

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude And Can It Be? arr. Wyrtzen

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.**) Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ and make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of daily life, make us attentive to your voice and alive to your presence, that we may treasure your Word above all else; 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 341 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine Assurance

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 bring their ringing offering and come to the Baptismal Font for a

Time with Young Christians

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Amos 8:1-12

Unison

Psalm 52

Why do you boast, O mighty one, of mischief done against the godly? All day long you are plotting destruction.

Your tongue is like a sharp razor, you worker of treachery.

You love evil more than good and lying more than speaking the truth.

You love all words that devour, O deceitful tongue.

But God will break you down forever, tearing you from your tent.

God will uproot you from the land of the living.

The righteous will see and fear, and will laugh at the evildoer, saying,

"See the one who would not take refuge in God,

but trusted in abundant riches and sought refuge in wealth."

But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God.

I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.

I will thank you forever because of what you have done.

In the presence of the faithful I will proclaim your name, for it is good.

Anthem One Bread, One Body John B. Foley, S.J., 1978

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. (--arrangement by Mark Hayes, 2001)

Epistle Gospel

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

Sermon The Better Part Mike Krech
"there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 461God Is Here!Abbot's LeighNicene CreedUnison; Hymnal, page 15, EcumenicalGloria Patri 579Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

Offertory Sentence

Offertory When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. Wyrtzen

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

The congregation sits.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

The elders serve worshippers at their places.

All Christians are warmly invited to receive the Sacrament.

You may receive the bread and cup when you are spiritually prepared.

Organ Create in Me a Clean Heart arr. Hayes

Hymn 506 Deck, Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness Schmucke Dich

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

O God, you have so greatly loved us,

long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us.

Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank-offering to you;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

The congregation stands to sing the

Recessional Hymn 475 O That I Had a Thousand Voices

O Dass Ich Tausend Zungen Hatte

Postlude Postlude for Full Organ

Roger Wilson

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

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

Our Gospel readings are from Luke, Old Testament from the prophet Amos, and later Hosea, Epistle from Colossians, and later Hebrews. The liturgical color is green, emblematic of the growth in faith these lessons want us to achieve. (JMK)

[&]quot;... there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Luke 10:42