

CHURCH SESSION

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Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

September 8, 2019

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

The Solid Rock

William B. Bradbury
arr. Cindy Berry

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**.)

Direct us, O Lord, in all our actions with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy name, and finally, by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord God, 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, our heavenly Father: we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.**

For the sake of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,

**forgive us all our offenses,
and grant that we may serve you**

in newness of life to the glory of your Name ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing
Hymn 84 In the Cross of Christ I Glory Rathbun

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 Jeremiah 18:1-11

Psalms 139:1-6,13-18 Unison

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

**You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.**

**You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high; I cannot attain it.**

**For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

**My frame was not hidden from you when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.**

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.

**In your book were written all the days that were formed for me,
when none of them as yet existed.**

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!

How vast is the sum of them.

I try to count them – they are more than the sand;

I come to the end – I am still with you.

Anthem Wings of the Dawn Linda Spencer, 1985

Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit and when I rise.

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I go from your presence?

If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

Even there your hand will guide me. Your right hand will hold me fast.

If I say surely darkness will hide me, and the light be dark around me,

Not even dark is dark to you. Night will shine like the days.

So I'll praise you, lift up my voice and I'll praise you, Lord, Father, I praise you, praise you, Lord.

You created me within. You knit me in my mother's womb.

I praise you for I am fearfully made. Your works are wonderful. Rise on the wings of the dawn.

(--Based on Psalm 139)

Gospel Luke 14:25-33

Epistle Philemon 1-21

Sermon To: Philemon; Re: Onesimus Mike Krech

"I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, ... that you might have him back forever, no

longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother ... both in the flesh and in the Lord."
Philemon 10a,15b,16a,c

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 411 Arise, Your Light Is Come Festal Song

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 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee John B. Dykes
arr. Cindy Berry

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 366 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me St. Catherine

Postlude Standing on the Promises R. Kelso Carter
arr. Cindy Berry

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

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