

CHURCH SESSION

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Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

October 13, 2019

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude I Know That My Redeemer Lives Lloyd Larson

The congregation stands to sing

Processional Hymn 139 Come, Thou Almighty King Italian Hymn

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, you have made heaven and earth and all that is good; and in Jesus Christ you show us that the secret of joy is a heart set free from selfish desires. Help us to delight in simple things and to rejoice always in the richness of your bounty; 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, 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 276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness Faithfulness

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

Stewardship Reflections

Becky Stirling

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament

Jeremiah 29:1,4-7

Psalms 66:1-13,20

Unison

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

Sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise.

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

Because of your great power, enemies cringe before you.

All the earth worships you;

they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name.

Come and see what the Lord has done,

awesome in his deeds among mortals.

He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot.

There we rejoiced in God, who rules by his might forever,

whose eyes keep watch on the nations.

Let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of God's praise be heard,

who has kept us among the living and has not let our feet slip.

For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.

You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;

you let people ride over our heads;

we went through fire and through water.

Yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

I will come to your house with burnt offerings; I will pay you my vows.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,

nor removed his steadfast love from me.

Anthem

Hear Me Now, O Lord

Jay Althouse, 2000

Hear me now, O Lord. I come with reverence to You. I come with questions for You.

When my days are like the shadows of evening, filled with darkness and despair,

Then I know that in Your love and compassion, You will counsel me; You will care.

I ask for guidance from You.

When my heart is like a tree without water, anguished and in need of prayer,

then I hunger and thirst for Your wisdom. You will nourish me. You will care.

(-- Text by Jay Althouse, inspired by Psalm 65)

Epistle

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

Sermon

Bloom Where You Are Transplanted

Mike Krech

"Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from

Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce.

Take wives and have sons and daughters ... multiply there, and do not decrease."

Jeremiah 29:4-6a,c

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 422

God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Beach Spring

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, Be Glorified

Bob Kilpatrick; arr. Mark Hayes

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 442

The Church's One Foundation

Aurelia

Postlude How Majestic Is Your Name

Michael W. Smith; arr. Stan Pethel

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

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

Our Gospel readings, until Advent begins on December 1, are from Luke.

The Old Testament readings are from the prophet Jeremiah.

The Epistle readings are from the letters to Timothy.

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

(JMK)