

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day

June 10, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Almighty God, give us such a vision of your purpose and such an assurance of your love and power, that we may ever hold fast the hope which is in Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting the Christ Candles

Call to Worship:

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

People: that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Psalm 67

All: Let us worship God!

*Hymn: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* #12

*Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth.

Time for Personal Confession

Response: *Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us* Dvořák

Lord, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us, upon us.

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: If you, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.
Psalm 130:3-4

Leader: Friends, this is the good news of the Gospel, for in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri: *Glory Be to the Father* #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings:

Offertory

*Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; #606
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination:

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Psalter: Psalm 36:5-12 para. Michael Morgan
Tune: *O Waly Waly*, #202; *An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*

Leader: Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep. You, LORD, preserve both people and animals. How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!

People: Thy gifts, O Lord, surpass the heav'ns,
Thy faithfulness, the clouds above;
How matchless is Thy righteousness;
How dear is Thy redeeming love.

Leader: People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

People: Beneath the shadow of Thy wings,
Thy people banquet at Thy board;
They drink the cup of pure delights
And taste the pleasure of the Lord.

Leader: Continue your love to those who know you, your righteousness to the upright in heart. May the foot of the proud not come against me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. See how the evildoers lie fallen—thrown down, not able to rise!

People: God is the wellspring of my life,
And in God's light, I light shall see;
The pure of heart true favor find,
And in God's law their liberty

Scripture Reading: Luke 13:18-21

Anthem: *For the Beauty of the Earth* John Rutter

Time for Young Disciples
(Preschool children may return to their pew or gather at the piano door where today's shepherd will lead them in a time of special activities.)

Hymn Sing: *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* #835
verses 1 and 2

Precious Lord, Take My Hand #834
verse 1

Whispering Hope

Soft as the voice of an angel, breathing a lesson unheard,
Hope with a gentle persuasion whispers her comforting word:
Wait till the darkness is over, wait till the tempest is done,
Hope for the sunshine tomorrow, after the shower is gone.

Whispering hope, oh how welcome thy voice,
Making my heart in its sorrow rejoice.

Hope, as an anchor so steadfast, rends the dark veil for the soul,
Whither the Master has entered, robbing the grave of its goal.
Come then, O come, glad fruition, come to my sad weary heart;
Come, O thou blest hope of glory, never, O never depart.

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 6:4-12

Sermon: Reflections from the Fairway Steve Newton

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* #65

*Benediction

*Choral Response: *O Christ, Surround Me* #543

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Ushers: Chris Kline Gary Atkins
Margaret Sultenfuss Sue Atkins
Shepherd: Martha Holt
Liturgist: Diana Walker
Reader: Larry Walker

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, June 14

11:30 am Presbyterian Women Dutch Treat Lunch

Sunday, June 17

Happy Father's Day!

11:00 am Worship Service

**Westminster Presbyterian Church
(PCUSA)**

Westminster Presbyterian Church exists to declare God's love for all through Jesus Christ, to nurture and encourage spiritual growth, to maintain the integrity of divine worship, and to share the love and joy found in Christ by giving ourselves to our community and to the world.

THE SESSION

Class of 2018

Bobbie Ann Anderson
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Kristi Hachtel
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MINISTERS:

All the Members of the Congregation

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⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.
⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

¹⁰ When the LORD your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you—a land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, ¹¹ houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves you did not plant—then when you eat and are satisfied, ¹² be careful that you do not forget the LORD, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ~ Deuteronomy 6:4-12