

Growing Together through Faith, Love, and Fellowship.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14, 2024

The asterisk () indicates to please rise in body or spirit.*

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Lord of the dance, creator of whirling winds and shimmering flames, move in us this day. Breathe life into our songs of praise. Set our hearts ablaze to your word. May our worship bring joy to you, Lord. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Gathering Music

The Gathering of God's People

Prelude - a time to prayerfully prepare oneself for worship

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

arr. Gilbert M. Martin

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Cruise In

Ken Morlock

Pause for Poetry

Jacquie D'Angelo

***Call to Worship (Psalm 24)**

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

People: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in God's holy place?

Leader: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false.

People: Such is the company of those who seek the Lord, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Leader: Let us worship God!

The Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession** (*unison*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, you are the God of glory. We confess that we often forget that your holiness is dangerous. We take our impurities for granted, make excuses for the sins we commit, and expect you to overlook the harm we cause while still demanding justice from others. We do not deserve your mercy. Forgive us and return us to a right relationship with you for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ. You made us for the purpose of praising you; enliven us with the Holy Spirit so that we can fulfill our calling as disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. (*Silent prayer of confession*)

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Response Hymn** “All Creatures of Our God and King” (v. 6)

Ministry of the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Children’s Sermon

First Scripture Reading

Exodus 25:10-28

Solo

“God’s Light”

Jacque D’Angelo, 2024

Always and forever
God’s Love is bestowed
Timeless and bountiful
God’s Realm overflowed
May we be inspired
Strive to be our best
Witness God’s holy Grace
Lovingly expressed

Miracles abound here
Each and ev’ry day
When our hearts are open
God shows us the way
Live life in gratitude
And pray for true Sight
Always and forever
May we live in God’s Light

Second Scripture Reading

2 Samuel 6:1-19

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Moving God”

Rev. Désirée M. Youngblood

The Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism (4.028)

Leader: How does the knowledge of God’s creation and providence help us?

People: **We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God’s hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.**

*Hymn

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

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Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Each time you hear “we pray”, please respond ...

People: **Build us together in Christ. Make us your dwelling place.**

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.

Invitation to Offering

*Response

Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

The Sending of God’s People

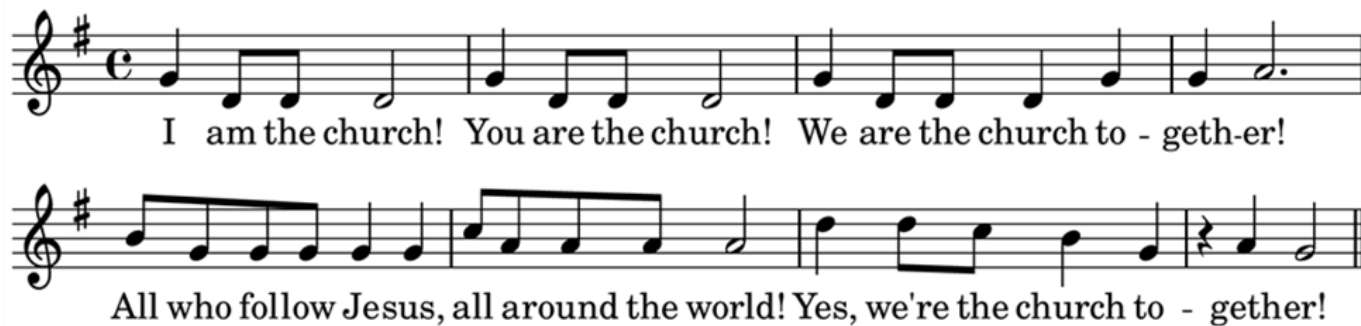
*Closing Hymn

“Seek Ye First”

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*Charge and Blessing

*Congregational Response “We Are the Church”



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff contains the melody for the lyrics: "I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to - geth-er!". The second staff contains the melody for the lyrics: "All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church to - gether!".

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*Postlude “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” arr. Charles Callahan

Pastors: Désirée M. Youngblood
Dr. Mark A. Johnson

Liturgist: Ruthanne Johnson

Music Director: Thomas Lloyd

Organist: Carol Welk

Soloist: Jacquie D’Angelo

Our liturgist, Ruthanne Johnson, has been a member of our church for 56 years and is an ordained deacon and elder. She is a retired RN and along with her husband, Gordon, raised three children here, all of whom became elders, with one becoming an ordained Presbyterian pastor. Her seven grandchildren also grew up in our congregation, and the two youngest (ages 5 and 3) continue to bless us with their presence.

Ruthanne has been involved in different aspects of the church throughout the years including children’s Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Presbyterian Women, and the biggest job of all, being a Presbyterian pastor’s wife for 65 years! She has been a choir member from the start and plans to continue until the day comes that Tom finally works up the nerve to suggest she take a well-deserved break! She has a passion for reading, gardening, traveling, and family get-togethers. If there’s a church event, you will most likely see Ruthanne there.