

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
Universal Day of Prayer for Students

February 16, 2020

Eleven O'Clock

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast
Liturgist: Bill Gast

PRELUDE:

- I. *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* - Traditional
- II. *Were You There* - Spiritual

CHIMING THE HOUR

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Psalm 118 says: **This is the Day that the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Good morning and welcome. It is so nice to see all of you here this morning. Please remember to sign the attendance registers located in each pew. It is time for announcements, and I have the first one. Barry is still out with the flu, and we have a very special guest accompanist, her name is Anne Bowman. Thank you for blessing us with your talent today, does anybody else have an announcement they would like to make?**

Please stand, in body or spirit, and join me in our Call to Worship and remain standing through the response

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Responsively)

Leader: **Come to Me all you who are weary and heavy ladened,**

People: **and I will give you rest.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

*PRAISE CHORUS:

Hymn No. 645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above vs 1 MIT FREUDEN ZART
**Sing praise to God Who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled:
to God all praise and glory!**

Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer

***OPENING PRAYER** **God of the universe hear our prayers. We long for closeness with You but find ourselves stepping away out of uncertainty about the future. Help us to hear and trust Your word today. Amen.**

Our first hymn today is:

***HYMN No. 81**

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

AUSTRIAN HYMN

***CALL TO CONFESSION** **If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves. Let us confess our sins before Almighty God.**

Let us pray...

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of all mercies hear our ardent prayers. We work for justice where we see oppression around the world but fail to see it in our own backyard. We long for the day when justice shall flow down like a stream, but we don't want to get involved with people in need. Father forgive us when we fall short of Your gracious call on our lives. Forgive us when our lack of faith is overcome by fear of the unknown. And give us strength for whatever comes. (Please wait about 20 seconds, and then say,) Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Brothers and sisters in Christ, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 833 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" vs. 1 ST. MARGARET

O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.

TIME FOR YOUTH You may be seated and at this time would our youth please come forward. (If there are no youth (besides the teenagers,) then just say "you may be seated.")

Please bow your heads for our Prayer of Illumination

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION God, grant us the wisdom to hear Your words and understand the message as it applies today.

PSALTER LESSON Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 119:1-8 please read it responsively with me.

Leader: Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

People: Happy are those who keep His decrees, who seek Him with their whole heart,

Leader: who also do no wrong, but walk in His ways.

People: You have commanded Your precepts to be kept diligently.

Leader: O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping Your statutes!

People: Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all Your commandments.

Leader: I will praise You with an upright heart, when I learn Your righteous ordinances.

People: I will observe Your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Our Old Testament Lesson comes from Deuteronomy 30:15-20, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 186

Our special music today is:

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Fairest Lord Jesus* – Edmundson

GOSPEL LESSON Our Gospel Lesson comes from Matthew 5:21-37, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 4-5

SERMON

Rev. Janet Boyanton

Those who are able, please stand and join with me in singing:

***HYMN No. 697**

"Take My Life"

GRATUS

Please join me in Affirmation of Faith as it is printed in your bulletin.

***AFFIRMATION** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

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.

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

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.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY You may be seated. It is now time for our Prayer Concerns and Celebrations. Does anybody have anything they would like to share?

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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

OFFERTORY: *Elevation - Benoit*

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 606 *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Please join me in our prayer of Thanksgiving

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Gracious and loving Father, we thank You for the many good gifts You have given us. We return to You a portion of what we have received. Amen.

Our last Hymn today is:

***HYMN No. 321**

"The Church's One Foundation"

AURELIA

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 700 *"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"* vs. 1 I'M GONNA LIVE

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***POSTLUDE:** *With Trumpets and Horns* - Handel

***Those who are able may stand.**

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*Please join us for Refreshments
following the Worship Service.*

Daily Bread

Supplement

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CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY AND BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

We will continue to collect clothes for the needy and box tops for education. Please bring in your donations and put them in the designated places in the Opportunity Corner.

SAVE THE DATE

Joan Christy is turning 90 on March 17th and her kids are giving her a party following the Worship Service on March 15th. Please **RSVP ASAP** with Lori so we can get a head count for a caterer. Text or call 214-218-7784, or email me at lk1623@gmail.com or desotopresbyterian@gmail.com

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

The Worship Committee has been postponed.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

06:00 PM Cub Pack 789 Tigers

07:00 PM Boy Scouts 109

TUESDAY

10:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group

THURSDAY

10:00 AM Art Group

NEXT SUNDAY

09:15 AM Choir Practice

10:30 AM Adult Bible Study

11:00 AM Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Millie Allen

Tom Price needs continued prayers

Continued prayers for Bill and Nina Swaney

Sue Fitch

Joe and Lorrinda Alexander

Irmagene Mitchell

Karla Krueger, she has M.S. and is very sick

Margie Sonntag

Martha Brashear is still in pain after her surgery, prayers for her and Truman

Diane Sharp

Ransome Kanu was accepted into North Texas University, he needs continued prayers

Sonia Wills and her family

The church in Cameroon in being destroyed

Zac Tucker

Julie's daughter's parents-in-law are both very ill

Aurelia's son, Joshua Coleman

Janet's friend Chris has bone cancer and other problems

Travel mercies for all our members who are traveling

Nina and Julie are both suffering from sciatica

Craig and Nora McNeil

The people and animals affected by the fires in Australia – and pray for rain!

Julie Ciuro is having back surgery

Everybody impacted by the winter storms

Manfred Enoch is having problems with one of his heels

Manfred Enoch's mother-in-law is traveling to Africa – prayers for a safe stay and a safe return

Jeff Freeman, was shot and beat up in a home invasion, and is in intensive care

Barry is sick with the flu

Julie is recovering from back surgery

CELEBRATIONS

Our dear Phyllis Speck is here visiting

Lori is celebrating Bill's birthday