

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 9

July 9, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast  
Liturgist: Pat Nash

**PRELUDE:** *“His Loving and Mysterious Ways”* - Beatrice A. Miller

## CHIMING THE HOUR

**GREETINGS** 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. Visitors, please sign the attendance registers located in each row.**

**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: **Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king come to you;**

People: **Triumphant and victorious is He, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt the foal of a donkey.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

## \*PRAISE CHORUS:

Hymn No. 327 *“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”* - vs. 1 LAAST UNS ERFREUEN

**From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator’s praise arise.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Let the Redeemer’s name be sung through every land, in every tongue.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer**

**\*OPENING PRAYER** **God of all creation, we cry to You in our hour of need. Be with us as we face tomorrow, for we know that Your love surrounds us and, through You, all things work together for good, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

**Our first hymn today is:**

**\*HYMN No. 41**

*“O Worship the King! All Glorious Above!”*

LYONS

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

**Let us pray together**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Father, hear us when we cry to You. We allow ourselves to fear when we should rely on Your assurances. We hide who we are when we should assert our faith. Forgive us when we hide our faith out of fear of ridicule. Give us strength in our faith to be the steadfast believers You want us to be. (Say – **“Please pray silently,”** and after about 20 seconds, 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. 436 *"God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us"* vs. 1 O QUANTA QUALIA  
God of compassion, in mercy befriend us,  
giver of grace for our needs all availing.  
Wisdom and strength for each day ever send us,  
patience untiring and courage unailing.

**You may be seated and at this time would our youth please come forward.**

**TIME FOR YOUTH**

**Please bow your heads for our Prayer of Illumination**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** God of all wisdom, give us clear eyes to see Your word and open hearts to understand its call on our lives. In Christ's name, Amen.

**PSALTER LESSON** Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 45:10-17, please read it responsively with me.

Leader: **Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear; forget your people and your father's house,**

**People:** and the king will desire your beauty. Since he is your lord, bow to him;

Leader: **the people of Tyre will seek your favor with gifts, the richest of the people**

**People:** with all kinds of wealth. The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes;

Leader: **in many-colored robes she is led to the king; behind her the virgins, her companions, follow.**

**People:** With joy and gladness they are led along as they enter the palace of the king.

Leader: **In the place of ancestors you, O king, shall have sons; you will make them princes of all the earth.**

**People:** I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever.

Leader: **The Word of the Lord.**

**People:** Thanks be to God!

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Our Old Testament Lesson comes from Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 20-21 of the Old Testament

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

<sup>34</sup>So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. <sup>35</sup>The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. <sup>36</sup>And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. <sup>37</sup>My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; <sup>38</sup>but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' <sup>42</sup>"I came today to the spring, and said, 'O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! <sup>43</sup>I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," <sup>44</sup>and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" —let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master's son.' <sup>45</sup>"Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' <sup>46</sup>She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. <sup>47</sup>Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. <sup>48</sup>Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. <sup>49</sup>Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left." <sup>58</sup>And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." <sup>59</sup>So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. <sup>60</sup>And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." <sup>61</sup>Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

<sup>62</sup>Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. <sup>63</sup>Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. <sup>64</sup>And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, <sup>65</sup>and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. <sup>66</sup>And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. <sup>67</sup>Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Leader: [The Word of the Lord.](#)

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL LESSON** Our Gospel Lesson comes from Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 11-12 of the New Testament

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

<sup>16</sup>“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup>‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

Rev. Janet Boyanton

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

**\*HYMN No. 310**

*“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”*

ST. THOMAS

**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.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** You may be seated. It is time for announcements, does anybody have an announcement they would like to make?

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY** And now it is 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:** *“Andante Mosso”* - Charles H Rinck

**\*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.

Let us come to God with our prayer of Thanksgiving

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord, we thank You for the gifts You have given us. We share these gifts with Your church to do Your work in the world. Please accept these our humble offerings, as an acceptable sacrifice to You. Amen.

Our last Hymn today is:

**\*HYMN** No. 375                      *“Shall We Gather at the River”*                      HANSON PLACE

### \*BENEDICTION

#### **\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 265                      *“Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”* vs. 1                      DUKE STREET  
Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

**\*POSTLUDE:** “A Litany of Joy (Psalm 136)” - Alfred V. Fedak

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

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*Please join us for a Refreshments  
Following the Worship Service*

## **Daily Bread**

Supplement

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### **CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY AND GLASSES FOR THE LIONS CLUB**

We will continue to collect clothes for the needy and glasses for the Lions Club. Please bring in your donations and put them in the designated places in the Opportunity Corner.

### **HEARING ASSIST UNITS**

Thanks to Barry Krueger we now have Hearing Assist Units. If you would like to use one, please see Barry before the Worship Service begins.

### **DESOTO FOOD PANTRY**

DeSoto Food Pantry needs the help of the community to continue to feed the less fortunate in our city. The best way to help is through monetary donations. \$1 can buy as much as \$7 worth of food. They buy their food through the North Texas Food Bank, so it is much cheaper than buying food at a grocery store. However all donations are welcome and appreciated. Thank you to all that continue to donate to this great cause.

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

### **THURSDAY**

10:00 AM – Art Group

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

12:15 PM Stated Session Meeting

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Sue Fitch

Joe and Lorrinda Alexander

Thomas Alexander – please continue to pray

Continued prayers for Bryson

Millie Allen

Irmagene Mitchell

Jim Glander

Bryan's mom

Martha Brashear – continued prayers

The church and nation of Ukraine

Makia's people in Cameroon

Gene Knox and Jewell Victorino

Carolyn Clayton was diagnosed with cancer

DeSoto Food Pantry

Prayers for the people in Nigeria

Max Jewell is at home, but needs our continued prayers

Tracy Berkich

Janet asks for prayers for a disturbed 8 year old child

Alice Anne's best friend's mother, Mary, has had shingles since last July

Michael was in a motorcycle accident

The nation of Sudan

Immigrants at the borders

Phyllis Taylor has multiple medical issues

Travel mercies for Johanna Fleenor as she goes to Germany, Michelle Kalu is going to

Ghana, and Cori is going to Austria, and Mike & Jo Keffer as they go back home

Monica has health issues

Donnie Jordan has cancer

Nina's brother is on Hospice care

Sara Lewis has health issues

Cori's f-i-l was bitten by a spider and has serious issues from it

Barry is having surgery on his leg

## **CELEBRATIONS**

Spencer is going to Oxford to study for a semester this summer

Joe and Lorrinda celebrated their 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary