

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 10

July 16, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast  
Liturgist: Bill Gast

**PRELUDE:** *"In the Sanctuary"* (Aria from "Israel in Egypt") - Georg Frederick Handel

## 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: **Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord, and teach me Your ordinances.**

People: **Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.**

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** Loving God, we come together to lift our voices in praise and song and worship You. With joy, we acknowledge You are the one true and living God, and we praise You for Your faithfulness to all generations. Amen.

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

**\*HYMN No. 32**

*"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

ELLACOMBE

**\*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

Compassionate Father we know we are to feed the poor, but we have no food in our cars. We know we are to clothe those who have no clothes, but we barely have enough designer clothes to make the week. We know we should comfort those who grieve, but we don't know what to say. Forgive us when we make excuses not to help those around us. Forgive us when we fail to share what You have given us with those who have nothing. And, Lord, forgive us when we forget to live as You have told us to live. (Say – “Please pray silently,” and after about 20 seconds, say,) In Christ's name, 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.

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

### 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 65:1-8, please read it responsively with me.

Leader: Praise is due to You, O God, in Zion; and to You shall vows be performed,

People: O You who answer prayer! To You all flesh shall come.

Leader: When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, You forgive our transgressions.

People: Happy are those whom You choose and bring near to live in Your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of Your house, Your holy temple.

Leader: By awesome deeds You answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

People: By Your strength You established the mountains; You are girded with might.

Leader: You silence the roaring seas, the roaring waves, the tumult of the peoples..

People: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by Your signs; You make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Our Old Testament Lesson comes from Isaiah 55:10-13 you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 686 of the Old Testament

## **Isaiah 55:10-13**

<sup>10</sup>For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, <sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. <sup>12</sup>For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. <sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**Our Special Music is a duet with Pat Nash and Barry Krueger, they will be singing:**  
***“Follow the Way of the Lord”***

### **SPECIAL MUSIC:**

*“Follow the Way of the Lord”* - Lloyd Larson, DUET: Pat Nash and Barry Krueger

**GOSPEL LESSON** Our Gospel Lesson comes from Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 13-14 of the New Testament

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

**13** That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup>But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup>Let anyone with ears listen!" <sup>18</sup>"Hear then the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup>yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup>But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

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. 417

*"Lord Jesus, Think on Me"*

SOUTHWELL

**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?**

**And now it is time for our Prayer Concerns and Celebrations. Does anybody have anything they would like to share?**

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY** Prayer concerns and celebrations

## **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:** "With Praises All Unite!" (from Ballo del Granduca) - Geoffrey Edwards

**\*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**

**Thank You, Lord, for all that we are and all that we have. Make us mindful of Your gifts and always grateful to You for all that we have and all that we are. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Lord, and our Redeemer. Amen.**

**Our last Hymn today is:**

**\*HYMN No. 80**

*"You Shall Go Out with Joy" (sung through twice)*

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

**\*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:** *"Festival Postlude"* - Benton Price

**\*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 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

## **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

The nation of Sudan

Immigrants at the borders

Phyllis Taylor has multiple medical issues

Travel mercies for all our members traveling

Monica has health issues

Donnie Jordan has cancer

Nina's brother is on Hospice care

Sara Lewis has health issues

Edwin Shafer is going to have hernia surgery

Lori Gast

## **CELEBRATIONS**

Barry's leg surgery was painful, but successful

Manfred had a friend from Cameroon visiting

Martha's daughter Barbara was here

Johanna is coming home