

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 16

August 27, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast  
Liturgist: Pat Nash

**PRELUDE** *"If You Will Only Let God Guide You"* - WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT,  
arr. Matt Limbaugh

## 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: **Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to the predator's teeth.**

People: **Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

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, be our shield in troubled times. Show us Your way in the midst of the wind and rain, the earthquake and the storm. We live to serve You and Your praise is ever in our hearts. Thank You, loving God, for Your steadfast love that never leaves us alone. In Christ's name, Amen.

**Our first hymn today is:**

**\*HYMN No. 645** *"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"* MIT FREUDEN ZART

**\*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**

Forgiving God, hear us when we cry to You with anger or hate in our hearts. Help us to replace those feelings with love for all Your creation. Forgive us when we act on baser instincts, when we grasp at power and wealth, when we act in hate and with malice. Teach us to carry Your law in our hearts always and to be faithful servants of the one true living God. (Say – “Please pray silently,” and after about 20 seconds, say, Amen) 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.**

**TIME FOR YOUTH** It is now time for youth, so would our youth please come forward.

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

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** God, open our eyes to the beauty of the world around us. Help us see the beauty in all of Your creation. Let our ears hear and our hearts perceive Your message for us this day. Amen.

**PSALTER LESSON** Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 138 please read it responsively with me.

Leader: I give You thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing Your praise;.

People: I bow down before Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness; for You have exalted Your name and Your word above everything.

Leader: On the day I called, You answered me, You increased my strength of soul.

People: All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O Lord, for they have heard the words of Your mouth.

Leader: They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

People: For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty He perceives from far away.

Leader: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; You stretch out Your hand, and Your right hand delivers me.

People: The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of Your hands.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Our Old Testament Lesson comes from Isaiah 51:1-6 you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 681 of the Old Testament

**Isaiah 51:1-6**

51 Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. <sup>2</sup>Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. <sup>3</sup>For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

<sup>4</sup>Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. <sup>5</sup>I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. <sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Our New Testament Lesson comes from Romans 12:1-8, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 161-162 of the New Testament

**Romans 12:1-8**

12 I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. <sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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. 806

*"I'll Praise My Maker"*

OLD 113TH

**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"* - J. G. Sachs

\*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**

Father, teach us to give with joy and generosity. We thank You for the gifts we have been given, the gifts of time, talents and resources. Together we can make a difference in this world. Amen.

**Our last Hymn today is:**

**\*HYMN No. 20**

*"All Things Bright and Beautiful"*

ROYAL OAK

**\*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:** *"Go Out with Joy!"* - Mary McDonald

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

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*Please join us for Refreshments  
Following the Worship Service*

# **Daily Bread**

Supplement

DeSoto Presbyterian Church [www.desotopresbyterian.org](http://www.desotopresbyterian.org)

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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.

## **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

We will be having our Annual Congregational Meeting on September 10, at the end of our Worship Service. We hope all our members will be able to be here.

## **POT-LUCK LUNCH**

We are having a Pot-Luck Lunch on September 10 after the Worship Service. We hope everyone is able to bring a dish and join us.

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

### **TUESDAY**

10:30 AM – Worship Committee Meeting

### **THURSDAY**

10:00 AM – Art Group

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service with communion

## **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

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 as he is still trying to recover

Tracy Berkich

Monica has health issues

Donnie Jordan has stage 4 throat cancer

Sara Lewis has health issues

Chikezie is very weak

Bryan's mom had knee replacement surgery, but will need another surgery

Thomas' cousin Kenny's wife was brutally attacked, and needs prayers for healing

A former co-worker of Thomas has a mass on his brain

Joan's sister Connie has 3 daughters and they all have serious health problems

Steve Dickerson has a mass on his lung, please pray for him and his family

People of Maui

Christians in Pakistan

Teachers and students this school year

## **CELEBRATIONS**

Brayden is going to be a senior this year

Russell had knee replacement surgery and is doing fabulous

Makia thanks God that his daughter and her 4 children are here