

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

September 5, 2010

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 18: 1-2, 31,

L: I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer,

P: My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

L: For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?

P: The LORD lives; and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – bless us as we gather for worship, prayer and praise. Holy Spirit, enter our hearts and draw us ever closer to you, and to one another, we pray in Christ’s name. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

#624

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION ~ From *When We Gather* by Rev. James G. Kirk

Gracious and loving God, forgive us for fooling ourselves instead of seeing things as they are. Forgive us for excusing our choices to sin, as if we could not see that we were doing wrong. Forgive us for judging and condemning others, while closing our eyes to our own sinfulness, and our own need for mercy. Forgive us, and open our hearts, our minds, and our eyes to your truth; for we pray in Jesus’ name.

(Silent prayer and personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

#813

ANTHEM

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S LESSON *(Preschool through 2nd grade children may be led to Junior Church following the children’s message. Older children’s bulletins are in the vestibule.)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Philemon 1-21 ~ Page 1043 in the pew Bible

Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and of the faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, and I pray that the sharing of your faith may promote the knowledge of all the good that is ours in Christ. For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you. Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, yet for love’s sake I prefer to appeal to you – I, Paul, an ambassador and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus – I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment. (Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. Perhaps this is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother, especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, write this with my own hand, I will repay it – to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Luke 14: 25-33 ~ Page 908 in the pew Bible

Now great multitudes accompanied him [Jesus]; and he turned and said to them, “If any one comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me, cannot be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, ‘This man began to build, and was not able to finish.’ Or what king, going to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and take counsel whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends an embassy and asks terms of peace. So therefore, whoever of you does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.”

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "How Much Does 'Free' Cost?" Rev. Frank Wyche
 *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of Hymnal
 *HYMN OF RESPONSE *O Jesus, I Have Promised* #676
 OFFERING AND OFFERTORY
 *DOXOLOGY #815
 PRAYER OF DEDICATION
 JOYS AND CONCERNS
 MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (...debtors/debtors...)
 *HYMN *Lord, Speak to Me* #667
 *BENEDICTION
 *CHORAL RESPONSE *Stay with Us* Chancel Choir
 POSTLUDE Carolyn Wallace

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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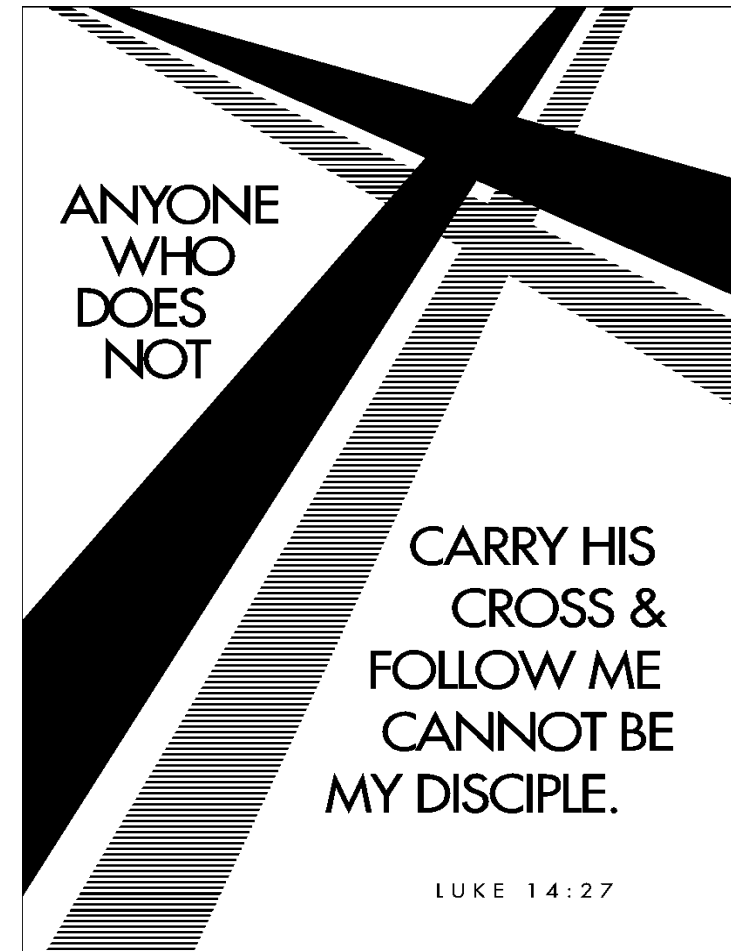
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ATTENTION ALL MEN: Free Prostate Cancer Screening at Augusta Health Cancer Center on Thursday, Sept. 9, at 5:30 P.M. This screening is open to men age 40 and above, or any man with a family history of prostate cancer age 35 and above. Call 540-332-5961 (Staunton) or 540-932-5961 (Waynesboro) for more information or to make an appointment.

YOU'RE INVITED to Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church's Annual Harvest Sale and Supper on Saturday, Sept. 11, at 4:00 P.M. The cost is \$12 for adults, \$4 for children under age 10. See the flyer on bulletin board for menu and directions.



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