

## HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### Order of Service for the Worship of God

October 16, 2011

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ~ Setting by Michael Burkhardt Ben Heizer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vicki Drumheller

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*Take Time to Be Holy*

Chancel Choir

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 96: 1b-3, 10-13

L: Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

**P: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!**

L: Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns! Yes, the world is established, it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

**P: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!**

L: Then all the trees of the wood shall sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.

**P: He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.**

**\*UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

**Eternal God, you made the world and all that it is in, and you made humanity in your own image, that we might know you, be in a personal relationship with you, and love and serve you all our days. Be with us this morning as we worship and praise you, the only God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

**#101**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Loving God, forgive our divided attention and our divided loyalties. You call us to love you with all our heart and soul and mind and strength, but we have so little energy for your work and worship, while we have so much energy to pursue our own interests. In desperate situations, we readily turn to you, knowing your love and power; but in ordinary circumstances, we spend too little time in prayer and Bible-reading. Help us to re-commit to you and to your will, 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

*More Precious Than Silver* --- Arr. by Jay Rouse

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Deuteronomy 1: 16-17 ~ Page 151 in the pew Bible

[Moses said to the Israelites,] "And I charged your judges at that time, 'Hear the cases among your brothers and sisters, and judge righteously between a person and his brother or sister, or the resident alien that is with him. You shall not be partial in judgment;\* you shall hear the small and the great alike; you shall not be afraid of the face of man, for the judgment is God's; and the case that is too hard for you, you shall bring to me, and I will hear it.'"

\*or, *Ye shall not respect persons in judgment*, King James Version

1st GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 22: 15-22 (23-33) ~ Page 857 in the pew Bible

Then the Pharisees went and took counsel how to entangle him [Jesus] in his talk. And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true, and teach the way of God truthfully, and care for no man; for you do not regard the position of men\*\* ]. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the money for the tax." And they brought him a coin. And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard it, they marveled; and they left him and went away.

\*\*or, *you are not swayed by anyone's opinions, and you do not show partiality because of anyone's status*

(The same day Sadducees came to him, who say that there is no resurrection; and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses said, 'If a man dies, having no children, his brother must marry the widow, and raise up children for his brother.' Now there were seven brothers among us; the first married, and died, and having no children left his wife to his brother. So too the second and third, down to the seventh. After them all, the woman died. In the resurrection, therefore, to which of the seven will she be wife? For they all had her as a wife." But Jesus answered them, "You are wrong, because you know neither the scriptures nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God, 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? He is not God of the dead, but of the living." And when the crowd heard it, they were astonished at his teaching.)

2nd GOSPEL LESSON ~ John 18: 33-37 ~ Page 943 in the pew Bible

Pilate entered the praetorium again and called Jesus, and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me; what have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingship is not of this world; if my kingship were of this world, my servants would fight, that I might not be handed over to the Jews; but my kingship is not from the world." Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Acts 10: 34-35 ~ Page 957 in the pew Bible

And Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality,\*\*\* but in every nation any one who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him."

\*\*\*or, *Of a truth, I perceive that God is no respecter of persons*, King James Version

L: This is the word of the Lord; **P: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Heaven and Earth" Rev. Frank Wyche

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of hymnal

\*HYMN *Rise Up, O Church of God* #433

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO *The Love of God* ~ Jeff Lippencott

\*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER AND **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (...debtors/debtors...)

\*HYMN *I'll Fly Away* #779

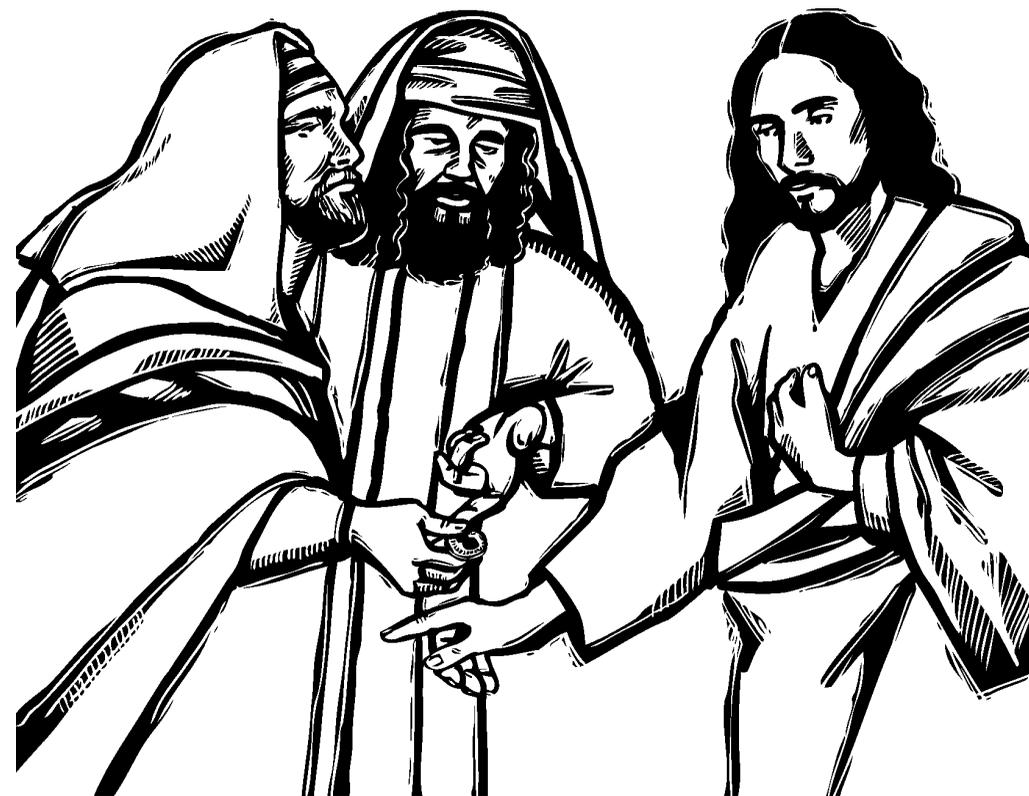
\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE *Praise the Almighty!* ~ Setting by Michael Burkhardt Ben Heizer

\*Those who are able may stand.

**BOLDFACE TYPE** indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.



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