

your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

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

SERMON "Priorities" Rev. Frank Wyche

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

*HYMN *More Love to Thee* #634

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

*HYMN *Take the Name of Jesus with You* #235

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Alessio Giacobone

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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~ Colossians 3:1-2

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10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Alessio Giacobone

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 107: 1-3, 17, 19-20, 42-43

L: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,

P: Those whom God has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

L: Some were sick through their sinful ways, and due to their iniquities suffered affliction.

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress; he sent forth his word, and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.

P: The upright see and are glad; and all the wicked shut their mouth. Let whoever is wise give heed to these things; let all people consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER** ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – it is you who have placed in our hands all the wealth that we call our own. Eternal Father, enlighten us by the Holy Spirit and give us wisdom, that our possessions may not be a snare to us, but a means of blessing for us, and for others, we pray in the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen.

***HYMN**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Bulletin Insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Merciful God, have pity on us as we confess our sins. We are not the stewards Christ calls us to be. Our riches possess us, while we allow others to go hungry and in need. We mismanage creation with our pollution and strife. Your goodness and love are betrayed by our lust for power and control. We abuse your provision by thinking it is our accomplishment instead of your blessing, and we only use your gifts to satisfy our selfish desires. Help us to hear again the words of Jesus to love and serve God alone, and by the Holy Spirit lead us to turn away from sin, and to turn back to you.

(Silent prayer, 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**

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ANTHEM

Classic Praise

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S LESSON ~ *Children through 5th grade may go to Junior Church afterward*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Hosea 11: 1-12 ~ pages 782-783 in the pew Bible

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and burning incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of compassion, with the bands of love, and I became to them as one who eases the yoke on their jaws, and I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword shall rage against their cities, consume the bars of their gates, and devour them in their fortresses. My people are bent on turning away from me; so they are appointed to the yoke, and none shall remove it. How can I give you up, O Ephraim! How can I hand you over, O Israel! How can I make you like Admah! How can I treat you like Zeboiim! My heart recoils within me, my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger, I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mere mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come to destroy. They shall go after the LORD, he will roar like a lion; yes, he will roar, and his children shall come trembling from the west; they shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD. Ephraim has encompassed me with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit; but Judah is still known by God, and is faithful to the Holy One.

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Luke 12: 15-21 ~ page 905 in the pew Bible

And he [Jesus] said to them, "Take heed, and beware of all covetousness; for a person's life does not consist in the abundance of their possessions." And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So are those who lay up treasure for themselves, and are not rich toward God."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Colossians 3: 1-10, 12-14 ~ pages 1027-1028 in pew Bible

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from