

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
Order of Service for the Worship of God

August 6, 2017

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 34: 1-3, 8, 15, 18, 22, *A Psalm of David*

L: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**P: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and be glad.**

L: O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

**P: O taste and see that the LORD is good! Happy are those who take refuge in him!**

L: The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous, and his ears toward their cry. The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and God saves those who are crushed in spirit.

**P: The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.**

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

**Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – mindful of the teachings of Jesus, we ask, we seek, and we knock at your door. In our every need, grant us the presence of the Holy Spirit, who gives us faith in Jesus, makes us your children, and draws us ever closer to you. We pray your presence with us in our time of worship; in Jesus’ name, Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*Stand Up and Bless the Lord*

**#65**

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO CONFESSION** ~ Psalm 32:5; James 5:16a

L: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD”; then you forgave the guilt of my sin.

**P: Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed.**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION** ~ From the Church of Scotland

**Holy God, forgive us for times when dullness encroaches, faithful service eludes us, and sin seems to have the upper hand. Forgive us for neglecting those in need and satisfying ourselves, forgetting you but remembering selfish whims, and ignoring strangers so we can congregare with our familiar circle. We disappoint ourselves and disappoint you, but your mercy and forgiveness are so extensive that you welcome our return to you, forgiving our sins and, through the Holy Spirit, you enliven us to go forward refreshed. Help us in each moment of each day, both in significant times and in the ordinariness of daily living, that we may grow in faithful discipleship.**

*(Silent prayer and personal confession)*

**RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON** ~ Colossians 2: 6-7, 13

L: Since you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, live in him, being rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

**P: We, who were dead in our trespasses and the uncircumcision of our flesh, God made alive together with Jesus, having forgiven us all our trespasses.**

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

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

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**#813**

SOLO

*I Need Thee Every Hour*

Joann Weikert

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Romans 8: 5-9, 14-27 ~ Pages 982-983 in the pew Bible

Those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law, indeed it cannot; and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh, you are in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive the spirit of a slave to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of a legitimate child. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as children, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope [or promise, or confidence, or assurance] we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what they already see? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words. And the One who searches people’s hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "The Holy Spirit Helps God's Children" Rev. Frank Wyche

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

\*HYMN *O for a Heart To Praise My God* #650

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

\*HYMN *I Love To Tell the Story* #444

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Carolyn Wallace

\*Those who are able may stand.

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

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**~ Romans 8:26**

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