

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Order of Service for the Worship of God

August 13, 2017

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Romans 6: 20-23

L: When [we] were slaves of sin [we] were not governed by or obligated to righteousness.

P: But then what return did [we] get from the things of which [we] are now ashamed? The end of those things is death.

L: But now that [we] have been set free from sin and have become servants of God, the return [we] get is sanctification, and its end, eternal life.

P: For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – we rejoice that you have made us your children, and assured us of forgiveness and eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Bless us now as we gather to worship and praise you, we ask in his name. Amen.

***HYMN**

Fairest Lord Jesus

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CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION ~ From PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned – in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. *(Silent prayer and personal confession)*

RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~ Psalm 103: 8, 10-12

L: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor requite us according to our iniquities.

P: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is the LORD's steadfast love toward those who hold him in reverence; as far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us.

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

We Remember You

Chancel Choir

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Genesis 3: 17-19 ~ Page 3 in the pew Bible

And to Adam the Lord GOD said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth to you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

1st NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Romans 8: 14-24a ~ Page 983 in the pew Bible

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, guaranteed promise]* we were saved.

2nd OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Revelation 21: 1-7 ~ Page 1085 in the pew Bible

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Behold, the dwelling of God is with humanity. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away.' And he who sat upon the throne said, 'Behold, I make all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' And he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the fountain of the water of life without payment. Whoever conquers *[or, remains faithful]* shall have this heritage, and I will be their God, and they shall be my child.'

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "We Are God's Children" Rev. Frank Wyche
***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of hymnal
***HYMN** *We Are God's People* #399
OFFERING
OFFERTORY
***DOXOLOGY** #815
PRAYER OF DEDICATION
JOYS AND CONCERNS
MORNING PRAYER
THE LORD'S SUPPER ~ Refer to bulletin insert
***HYMN** *In My Heart There Rings a Melody* #502
***BENEDICTION**
***CHORAL CLOSE** *Amen* 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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~Revelation 21: 1, 4

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