

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Order of Service for the Worship of God

September 17, 2017

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Jesus, My Shepherd, Brother, Friend* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 135: 1-3, 13-14, 20b-21

L: Praise the LORD; praise the name of the LORD! Give praise, O servants of the LORD,
you who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God!

P: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing to God's name, for he is gracious!
For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

L: Your name, O LORD, endures forever, your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.
For the LORD will vindicate his people, and will have compassion on his servants.

P: You who worship the LORD in proper awe and reverence, bless the LORD!
Blessed be the LORD in Zion, he who dwells in Jerusalem! Praise the LORD!

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

Eternal Father, through the work of your Son Jesus you opened for us a new and living way into your presence, restoring us to a personal relationship with you. By the Holy Spirit, give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth, we ask in Christ's name. Amen.

***HYMN** *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* #403

RESPONSIVE CALL TO CONFESSION ~ Psalm 79: 9, 13

L: Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name. Deliver us and forgive our sins, for your name's sake.

P: Then we, your people, the flock of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will remember and proclaim your praise.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, forgive us for saying we love you and follow you, only to ignore your word and your will for us. We would never say to a spouse or family or friends, "I love you, but I don't want to talk with you," or "I love you, but I don't want to listen to anything you have to say." Help us to take our relationship with you seriously, and to approach you in awe and reverence, instead of casual familiarity.

(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**

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ANTHEM

Heal Our Land

Chancel Choir

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Malachi 3: 1-4 ~ Page 830 in the pew Bible

[The LORD says,] "Behold, I send my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, till they present right offerings to the LORD. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years."

1st GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 16: 13-23 ~ Pages 850-851 in the pew Bible

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do all of you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of John! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ. From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began rebuking him, saying, "God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you." But Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men."

2nd GOSPEL LESSON ~ John 11: 20-27 ~ Page 935 in pew Bible

When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary sat in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. And even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, though they die, yet they shall live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the One who is coming into the world."

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

SERMON "Who Do You Say Jesus Is?" Rev. Frank Wyche

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

*HYMN *Join All the Glorious Names* #132

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

*HYMN *'Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus* #581

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL CLOSE *Jesus, Jesus, How I Trust Him* 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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~John 11:27

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