

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 16, 2014

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Luis González

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Humble Thyself

Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 77: 111-14

L: I will call to mind the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your wonders of old.

P: I will meditate on all your works, and muse upon your mighty deeds.

L: Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God?

P: You are the God who works wonders, who has manifested your power among the peoples.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

Eternal Father, we thank you for the gifts and the blessings you have given us in Jesus, who is God the Son, and in the Holy Spirit. Bless us now as we worship, praise, and thank you for all your gifts and blessings, we ask in Jesus' name. Amen

***OPENING HYMN**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

#210

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, forgive us for living only in the moment, without considering eternity. You call us to love you more than anything else, and to be in a personal relationship with you through faith in Jesus, our Savior, but we get caught up in the busy-ness of life, and neglect our relationship with you. We call upon you at appointed times, instead of being in constant prayer, and we only ask for what we want, instead of taking time to listen for your word and your will. Turn us back to you, and draw us closer to you, we ask 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

Lord, We Come Together Here

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 ~ Joel 1:14-15; 2: 1-3, 11-13 ~ Page 786 in the pew Bible

Sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly. Gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land to the house of the LORD your God; and cry to the LORD. Alas for the day! For the day of the LORD is near, and as destruction from the Almighty it comes.

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming, it is near, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness there is spread upon the mountains a great and powerful people; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them through the years of all generations. Fire devours before them, and behind them a flame burns. The land is like the garden of Eden before them, but after them a desolate wilderness, and nothing escapes them.

The LORD utters his voice before his army, for his host is exceedingly great; he that executes his word is powerful. For the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; who can endure it? "Yet even now," says the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil."

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 25: 1-13 ~ Page 860 in the pew Bible

[Jesus said] "Then the kingdom of heaven shall be compared to ten maidens who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those maidens rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'Perhaps there will not be enough for us and for you; go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast; and the door was shut. Afterward the other maidens came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ 1 Thessalonians 3: 11-13 ~ Page 1030 in the pew Bible

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you; and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all men, as we do to you, so that he may establish your hearts without blame in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

SERMON "The Day of the Lord" Rev. Frank Wyche

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: Thanks be to God!

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

*BENEDICTION

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *Amen* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Luis González

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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