

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 12, 2014 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Heritage Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Luis González

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Make a Joyful Noise* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 106: 1, 4-5; 61: 4-5

L: Praise the LORD! O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures for ever! Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to your people;

P: Help me when you deliver them, that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation, and glory with your heritage.

L: Let me dwell in thy tent for ever! Oh to be safe under the shelter of thy wings!

P: For you, O God, have heard my vows; you have given me the heritage of those who hold your name in proper awe and reverence.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

Holy God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – we thank you for the gifts of yourself, of this church, and of one another. Draw near to us, as we praise and glorify you, for all the blessings and goodness you have poured out upon us; in Christ’s name, Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator* #68

CALL TO CONFESSION

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

God of compassion, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. How often we do not do what we intended! What we claim to believe is not how we act. We hear your word preached, and we agree and assent, but our faith is found wanting when it comes time to obey. We are confronted by conflict, and decisions are called for. Our personal desires are at odds with what you command, and we do not do what you wish. Lord, have mercy upon us; and in Christ, forgive us. Give us the strength to do your will, and not our own.

(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

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

1st OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Exodus 20: 1-11, 18-21 ~ Page 63 in the pew Bible

And God spoke all these words, saying, “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; in it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your manservant, or your maidservant, or your cattle, or the sojourner who is within your gates; for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and hallowed it.”

Now when all the people perceived the thunderings and the lightnings and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking, the people were afraid and trembled; and they stood afar off, and said to Moses, “You speak to us, and we will hear; but do not let God speak to us, lest we die.” And Moses said to the people, “Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that the awe and power of him may be before your eyes, so that you may not sin.” And the people stood afar off, while Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was.

2nd OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Deuteronomy 5: 1-7, 12-15 ~ Pages 156-157 in the Bible

And Moses summoned all Israel, and said to them, “Hear, O Israel, the statutes and the ordinances which I speak in your hearing this day, and you shall learn them and be careful to do them. The LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. Not with our ancestors did the LORD make this covenant, but with us, who are all of us here alive this day. The LORD spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the midst of the fire, while I stood between the LORD and you at that time, to declare to you the word of the LORD; for you were afraid because of the fire, and you did not go up into the mountain. He said: ‘I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before me.

““Observe the sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; in it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, or your manservant

or your maidservant, or your ox, or your ass, or any of your cattle, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your manservant and your maidservant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a servant in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out thence with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.'

"You shall be careful to do therefore as the LORD your God has commanded you; you shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. You shall walk in all the way which the LORD your God has commanded you, that you may live, and that it may go well with you, and that you may live long in the land which you shall possess."

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 12: 46-50 ~ Page 846 in the pew Bible

While he [Jesus] was still speaking to the people, behold, his mother and his brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him. Some one told him, "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, asking to speak to you." But he replied to the man who told him, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother."

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

SERMON "God's Heritage" Rev. Frank Wyche

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

*HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #139

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

*HYMN *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* #575

*BENEDICTION

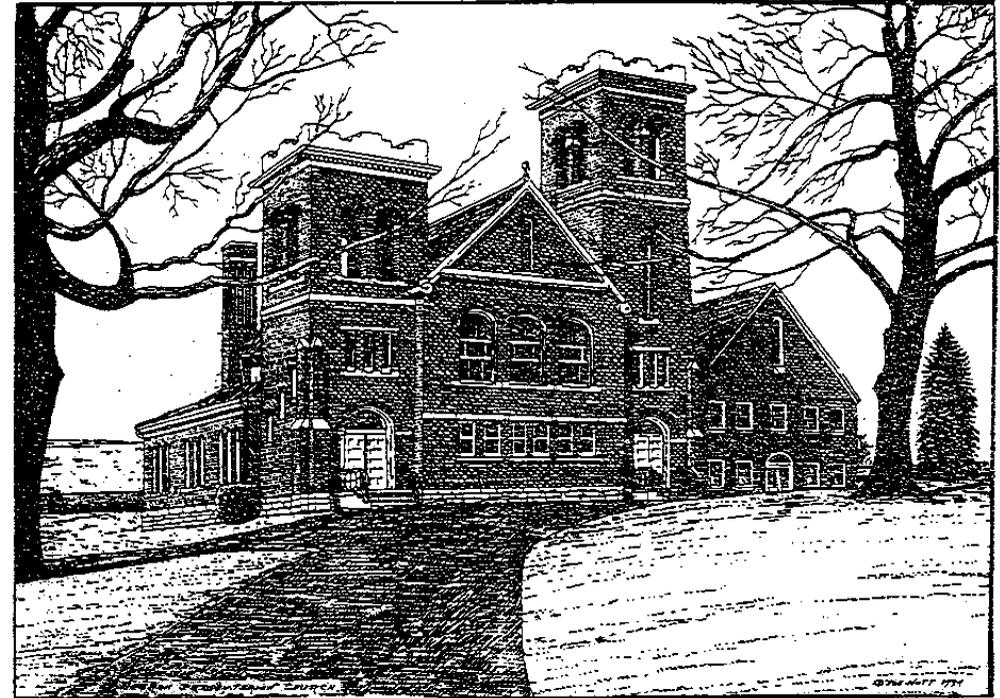
*CHORAL RESPONSE *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Luis González

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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