

**13th Sunday after Pentecost
ORDER OF WORSHIP
10:00 a.m.**

Sunday, August 27, 2023

Seasonal Color: Green

WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Camp Grier Church Camp Suzanne Rhinehart

(With the gift of music, let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.)

PRELUDE: “Toccata in C Major” Johann Pachelbel

(Please stand in body or spirit and let us join together in the Call to Worship)

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, and call on your name.

We will make known your deeds among the peoples, sing you our praises and tell of all your wonderful works.

Glory in God’s holy name! Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Praise the Lord!

Let us worship God!

***PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION**

As we mention your name, O God, our hearts are glad. We dare come before you with praise and thanksgiving. You have been there for us during times of trial and hardship. You have brought us through many a crisis and care. We owe it to you each time we act wisely, for every thought that promotes goodness and each deed that helps others. Hear us now as we sing you our praises. Be pleased with our worship as we call on your name.

***OPENING HYMN: “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” GTG # 81**

WE ARE RENEWED IN GRACE

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

You say to hate evil, yet we seek to get even with those who hurt us. We are to love one another, yet we choose some over others. When it comes time to serve you, we are not that zealous to act. We do not pray as we ought, nor do we seek your guidance often enough. Forgive us, O God, our wayward behavior and help us to live in harmony with one another. Thereby through your grace and mercy may we live peaceably with all. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me” GTG # 582

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,**

**And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

WE RECEIVE GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to your will and live always for your glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Romans 12:1-8 pg. 161

ANTHEM: “The Lord is My Savior” Rae E. Whitney/Carl Johengen

The Lord is my Savior, who saves me from sin.

The Lord is the Door, and he bids me come in.

The Lord is my Shepherd, who loves me his lamb.

He is the Almighty, the eternal I AM.

The Lord is my Light, the full radiance of day.

The Lord is my Life, and the Truth, and the Way.

The Lord is the True Vine, the one living Bread.

Through him we are nourished, by him we are fed.

The Lord is my Master, his servant am I.

The Lord is my true Friend: For me he did die.

The Lord is my Brother, my path he has trod.

He is Resurrection: my Lord and My God!

The Lord is my Savior, who saves me from sin.

The Lord is the Door, and he bides me come in.

The Lord is my Shepherd, who loves me his lamb.

He is the Almighty, the eternal I AM.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES:

Blessing of the Backpacks Laura Sparks

SECOND LESSON: Matthew 16:13-20 pg. 18

SERMON: “What’s In A Name?” David Roquemore

***HYMN: “Will You Come and Follow Me” GTG #726**

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (The Apostle’s Creed)**

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by The Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY:

“Andante” from Organ Sonata No. 1 in F Major Felix Mendelssohn

***DOXOLOGY: “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” GTG #606**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

O God, we offer those gifts you bestow abundantly upon us. Take them and blend them int a composite of commitment. Empower our hands to reach out to others. Enlighten our minds to perceive clearly your will. May the money we offer support the church’s endeavors, as in Christ’s name we seek faithfully to respond to your will. Amen.

WE LEAVE TO SERVE

***CLOSING HYMN: “The Church’s One Foundation” GTG # 321**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTULUDE: “Built on the Rock the Church Shall Stand” Robert Hobby

*(*Please stand in body or spirit)*

Lay Leader for this morning is Bill Long.

Elder on Call this week is Mimi Michael.

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1. You are in God’s House. We want you to feel God’s presence.
2. All around you are Christian people. They will want to shake your hand and greet you in the name of Christ. Won’t you meet them with a friendly smile? We would not have you leave this place without a warm welcome and a feeling that you want to come back.
3. Please sign the Friendship Book.
4. Those interested in membership information or who desire to join are asked to speak to David Roquemore, Pastor, call the church office, or check the Friendship Book.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: (10:00am) Worship bags for children are located in the entryway. In addition, children (ages 3 yrs. old – 2nd grade) are welcome to stay with their families for the entire service, or they may attend B.L.A.S.T. Children's Church following the *Time for Young Disciples*, when children will be led from the Sanctuary to our Children’s Church room and they will return to the sanctuary before the closing hymn.

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(3) Council on Administration

(4) Council on Sharing
(5) Council on Praise

Suzanne Rhinehart - Clerk of Session

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Following Christ together in witness, love and service.