

# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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We support Presbyterian Church (USA) mission co-workers,  
Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

*Please silence your cell phones.*

*\*All who are able may stand.*

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

May 17, 2020

11:00 A.M.

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

*setting by Mark Hayes*



Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences

*Leader: We are called to love the Lord our God.*

**All: We are called to love with all our heart and soul**

*Leader: We are called to love the Lord our God.*

**All: We are called to love with all our mind and strength**

*Leader: We are called to love the Lord our God.*

**All: And we are called to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

*Leader: Come, let us love our God*

**All: and share God's love in this time of worship!**



Hymn #1

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

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Unison Prayer of Confession

**God of mercy and truth, we have strayed from you in thought, word and deed. Lord have mercy. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have disregarded what is holy trying to satisfy ourselves by our own means. Christ have mercy. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Lord have mercy. O God, who is a God like you, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness? Lord God, be our refuge and our deliverance. By the presence and power of your Spirit, change us so that we may delight in your desire to do justice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord, hear our prayers . . .**



**(A time for silent prayers of confession . . .)**



Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: Whether we believe it, or not, Jesus Christ never leaves us nor forsakes us.*

**All: Let us open our hearts to receive the grace which Christ brings to us in faithfulness. We are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

Gloria Patri

**Glory Be to the Father**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Recognition of High School Graduates and Presentation of Bibles



**CLINTON  
HIGH SCHOOL**

Elizabeth Weldon Sills  
Clinton High School  
Meredith College



Mary Lila Blackburn  
Harrells Christian Academy  
Wofford College



Children's Sermon



Special Music

**“Here I Am, Lord”**

*setting by Lloyd Larson  
Zach and Karla Casteen*

*I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.  
I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame;  
I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?*



### Unison Prayer for Illumination

Dear Lord, as the scriptures are read, open our minds to the truth of your Word by means of the Holy Spirit. Open our eyes to see Jesus. Open our hearts to love him more and more. Open our wills to do only that which is righteous in your sight so that your name may be glorified. Amen.



Old Testament Lesson

*Deuteronomy 6:4-9*

Gospel Lesson

*Mark 12:28-34*



Hymn #12

**"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"**

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New Testament Lesson:

*Acts 17:16-34*

Sermon

**"A Golden Opportunity"**

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection



Pastoral Prayer with 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.

### GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings



Offertory

**"Holy, Holy, Holy"**

*setting by Joel Raney*

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*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.*



## The Affirmation of Faith: [from "A Brief Statement of Faith" of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)]

In life and in death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.  
We trust in Jesus Christ,  
Fully human, fully God.  
We trust in God,  
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Hymn #63

**"The Lord Is God"**

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Benediction

Postlude



*The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Roy & Bettie Lettie Lettieri in memory of John & Naomi Carr Sheffield on their anniversary May 17, 1926; and in loving memory of Hope, Roy, jr. and their grandson Patrick Lettieri.*



This morning we honor high school graduates Elizabeth Weldon Sills (Clinton High School; Meredith College) and Mary Lila Blackburn (Harrells Christian Academy; Wofford College) and present them with Bibles. Congratulations! We are proud of you both.