

The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

Today's Opening

Sentences,
Prayer of
Confession,
Assurance of
Pardon, and
Prayer for
Illumination are
taken from The
Presbyterian
Church in
Canada.

"Becoming a child is living the Beatitudes and so finding the narrow gate into the Kingdom."
Henri J. M.
Nouwen
(1932-1996),
Dutch Catholic priest, writer, theologian

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 6, 2021

11:00 a.m.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"Rain Down"

arr. Mark Hayes

Rain down; rain down your love on your people. Rain down; rain down your love, God of life.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences

Leader: God calls us to seek justice,

All: So that Christ's love for the meek and hungry streams out through

the church.

Leader: God calls us to seek kindness,

All: So that Christ's light can shine in all places of brokenness and

despair.

Leader: God calls us to walk humbly in the Spirit,

All: So we can be nourished for the work of the kingdom.

Leader: Called, blessed and inspired, let us worship our God together.

*Hymn #743

"O God, You Are My God"

STEP BY STEP

(Step by Step)

Unison Prayer of Confession

Understanding God, we know that we cannot hide our faults from you. You know where we are weakest, and where we most need your help and forgiveness. We confess that too often we seek the wisdom of the world instead of your guidance. We value our reputations above reconciliation and for our sins of pride we are sorry. We know that our words are not always loving nor our actions always just. Though our hearts are eager, our wills are weak. Forgive us we pray. Uphold us and renew us by the blessing of your mercy so we may walk more humbly with you each day. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

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

"Agape, the love of each one of us for the other, from the closest to the furthest, is in fact the only way that Jesus has given us to find the way of salvation and of the Beatitudes." Pope Francis

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Though God sees and knows our weakness and sin,

All: forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ. Let us rejoice and be glad for our lives are renewed in him.

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

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, from age to age you have blessed your people with wisdom. We come seeking learning and insight from your scriptures. Let your Spirit guide and inspire us so we might hear and see you in the words we read and hear this day. Amen.

Epistle Lesson

Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT Dr. Philip K. Gladden "Be Who You Are"

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

"The Beatitudes are the agenda for kingdom people. They are not simply about how to behave, so that God will do something nice to you. They are about the way in which Jesus wants to rule the world." N.T. Wright, English New Testament scholar and Anglican bishop

"Blessed are those whose trust is in the be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots to the stream." Jeremiah 17:7-8a

Lord. They shall

Offertory

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Just a closer walk with thee. Grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to thee: Let it be, dear Lord, let it be, arr. Larry Shackley



The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' 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.

*Hymn #835

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

CLOSER WALK

Benediction

Postlude

*All who are able may stand



Please join us for the dedication of The Mendenhall Family Disc Golf Course In memory of Nathan Mendenhall and in honor of the Ray & Ann Mendenhall Family Sunday, June 6th at 5pm Camp Kirkwood 2015 Camp Kirkwood Rd, Watha, NC 28478 Please contact Sandy Miller 910-602-0241 for questions





*Today we receive our quarterly (March, June, September, December) P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Offering. This money supports the Presbyterian Hunger Program of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina and provides food for children in Malawi and Haiti, as well as support for congregational food ministries such as our Helping Hands Food Pantry.

- *Friends of Kirkwood is sponsoring Creation Camp "Teach Us to Pray" this week at Camp Kirkwood. Eighteen campers and three adult advisors are attending from our church. Please keep the campers and staff in your prayers for a safe and fun week!
- *Please join the minister for a Zoom Bible Study on Monday, June 7 from 7:00 8:00 p.m. This week we will read and talk about Matthew 5:13-16. How do you let your light shine so that others might see your good works and give glory to God in heaven? Check your email for the Zoom link.\
- *There will be no Wednesday morning Zoom Bible Study this week.
- *Congratulations to Ben Roberts (son of Mark and Sherry Roberts) and Savannah Kumpe who will be married on Friday, June 11 at The Sutherland in Wake Forest, North Carolina.
- *Handbells and Chancel Choir will not have practice during June and July. We will resume practice in August.





