

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 4, 2021 11:00 a.m.

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

"Spirituality is about being ready. Spirituality is about awakening the eyes, the ears, the heart so you can see what's always happening right in front of you." Richard Rohr, American author, spiritual writer, and Franciscan friar

"It is precisely in times of spiritual dryness that we must hold on to our spiritual discipline so that we can grow into new intimacy with God."
Henri Nouwen (1932-1996), Dutch Catholic priest, writer in Christian spirituality

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"This Is My Song"

arr. by Mark Hayes

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms:
Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,
And hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations:
Myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences

Leader: We are God's beloved people!

All: We are called to lives of kindness, humility, and compassion.

Leader: God seeks to clothe us with love and to bind us together in harmony. All: God desires that we bear with one another and forgive as Christ forgives us.

Leader: We are God's beloved people!

All: We are called to lives of peace and patience. We are called to live with grateful hearts. We worship the God who calls us beloved!

*Hymn #340

"This Is My Song"

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Unison Prayer of Confession

Most merciful and loving God, forgive us for our sins. We are human and sinful. We don't always walk in your way. Lord, forgive us for our actions and the resulting consequences of our sin. Grant us your grace and mercy. Help us to make a fresh start as we confess our sin. Show us where we have fallen short, both in things we have done and in things we have left undone. Lord, help us to make a change to do better. Show us your way and help us to walk in it. Lord, hear our prayers. . . .

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

"The spiritual disciplines are wisdom and not righteousness."
Dallas Willard (1935-2013),
American philosopher known for his writings on Christian spiritual formation

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the Good News of the Gospel: God has broken into our broken

world and saved us from ourselves.

All: With God's help, we are now able to put on clothes of righteousness

and justice.

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Alleluia! Amen!

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

"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained

by the world."

James 1:27

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone. Let the heavenly food of the scripture we are about to hear nourish us today in the ways of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Epistle Lesson

Colossians 3:12-17

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 6:1-18

Sermon

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT Dr. Philip K. Gladden

"Don't Toot Your Own Horn"

"God insists that
we ask, not
because he
needs to know
our situation, but
because we need
the spiritual

A Time for Silent Reflection

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

asking." Catherine Iarshall (1914-

discipline of

Offertory

"This Is My Song"

arr. by John Purifoy

Catherine Marshall (1914-1983), American

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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

author of nonfiction, inspirational, and fiction works



The Affirmation of Faith: "A Declaration of Faith" of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

We believe that at the Lord's Supper the community of believers is renewed by the memory of Christ's life and death, by his real presence in the power of the Holy Spirit, and by the promise of his coming again. Christ makes himself known to us in the breaking of bread. He offers us his body broken for our sake and his blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins. We accept his promises and gifts and depend on his life to sustain ours. In turn we offer ourselves in thanksgiving to the risen Lord who has conquered death. So we celebrate his victory here and now and anticipate the joyous feast in his coming kingdom. Reunited around one loaf and cup, we receive strength and courage to continue our pilgrimage with God in the world.



"Communion is a sign and seal of the covenant of grace made by God through Jesus Christ and extended to us."
Gifts of God:
The Sacraments from The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
The Invitation to the Table
The Words of Institution
The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

The Eating of the Bread and the Drinking of the Cup

"We Remember You" arr. by l

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We remember you by your sacrifice of love. All glory now is due.

At this table here, mercy hovers near.

Thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you. Precious, risen Lamb, Jesus who was slain,

Now enthroned in glory, forever you will reign. Gladly we embrace both these signs of grace.

Thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you.

The Prayer after Communion

*Hymn #338

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

MATERNA

"Lord, make us more holy, holy, holy, until we meet again." Hymn #313, "Lord, Make Us More Holy," in Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal





Postlude

*All who are able may stand

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 4
9:30 am
Alternative Sunday School Class via Zoom
10:00 am
Living Stones (Children) Sunday School Class via Zoom
School Class via Zoom
Worship in-person and live-stream The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Church Office Closed in observance

of the 4th of July Holiday
No Monday night Bible Study

Wednesday, July 7 10:00-11:00 am Zoom Bible Study

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * **Today we celebrate** the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, the sign and seal of our communion with the crucified and risen Lord. The Lord's Supper enacts and seals what the Word proclaims: God's sustaining grace offered to all people. Come to the table! Taste and see that the Lord is good! All are welcome at the table.
- * **The church office** will be closed on Monday, July 5 in observance of the 4th of July holiday.
- * There will be no Monday night Zoom Bible Study this week. Please join the minister for a Zoom Bible Study on Wednesday, July 7 from 10:00 11:00 a.m. This week we will read and discuss Matthew 6:19-34, "Orientation to God." What does it mean to "seek first God's kingdom and God's righteousness" in our lives? Check your email on Tuesday for the Zoom link.
- * **We extend** Christian love and sympathy to Lydia Woodard and her family on the death of her mother, Delaine Rector, on June 29. A memorial service was held on Friday, July 2.







Church News