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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 23, 2020

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"I Love to Tell the Story" setting by Jay Rouse I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

Welcome and Announcements



Opening Sentences Elder Wayne Casteen Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord our God, the Maker of heaven and earth,

All: who comes to our aid in times of need, who gives us the courage to do what we know is right, who invites us to turn away from the influences of the world around us and confess him alone as Savior and Lord.

Leader: This is our God! All: Let us worship together.



Hymn #321 "The Church's One Foundation"

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Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

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



Responsive Assurance of Pardon Leader: Hear the good news! All: Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Leader: Believe the good news of the gospel: All: In Jesus Christ 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

Children's Sermon



Prayer for Illumination

Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Epistle LessonRomans 10:6-13Elder Wayne Casteen

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon

"A Declaration of Faith"

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

FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING

Offertory **"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"** setting by Molly Ijames Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.



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

Jesus is our living Lord. We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God. He lives as one of us with God. Because he shares our humanity and has bound us to himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God. We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord' He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is I ord.





Hymn #309

"Come, Great God of All the Ages"



Benediction

Postlude



"Messages from Matthew"



The sermons during August will be based on scripture passages from the gospel of Matthew. This schedule is provided so you can read the scripture text as part of your preparation for Sunday worship.

August 23 August 30

Text23Matthew 16:13-2030Matthew 16:21-28

Theme Peter's Declaration Jesus Foretells His Death & Resurrection **Preacher** Philip Gladden Philip Gladden

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Today** we resume our monthly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry offering. Although this year's school schedule is different right now due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this offering will help stock the shelves for backpack food to be distributed when students are able to return to their schools. Thank you for your generous support.

* **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on Matthew 16:21-28 via Zoom on either Monday night, August 24 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. or Wednesday morning, August 26 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. The Zoom invitation will be sent by email on Monday, August 24. This story about Jesus foretelling his death and resurrection will be the last in the summer sermon series "Messages from Matthew."

* **The Presbyterian Women** will have a Drive Through Pickup on Sunday, August 30, from 3:00-4:30 pm, at the portico at the back of new building. This drive through is to pick up your 2020-2021 Horizon Bible Study Books. All sanitizing precautions will be used for your safety. We look forward to seeing you!

