

Jesus first
Others second
Yourself last.

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

"The highest
honor in the
church is not
government but
service."
John Calvin
(1509-1564),
French theologian
and reformer in
Geneva

Today's Prayer of
Confession is
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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 17, 2021

11:00 a.m.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"Morning Has Broken" arr. by Lloyd Larson
*Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play.
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day.*

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences (*Psalm 34:1-3*)

Elder Lindsay Skidmore

Leader: Let us worship God. I will bless the LORD at all times;

All: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Leader: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

All: let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the LORD with me,

All: and let us exalt his name together.

*Hymn #701

"Lord, Prepare Me"
(Sanctuary)

SANCTUARY

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious and forgiving God, we pray for forgiveness this day. For choosing power over service, forgive us. For seeking glory rather than humility, forgive us. For pushing ourselves to the front, when our presence is needed on the sidelines, forgive us. Help us know where we are needed and how best to serve you and your people. Guide us to your side, that we might be your hands of healing and compassion for a world in need. In Christ's name, we pray. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

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

“So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.”
Galatians 6:9-10

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Know that Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve, hears our prayers. Know that this same Jesus hears and forgives us.

All: Let us walk with lifted heads and bowed hearts. Let us go now as humble children of God, ready and willing to serve.

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

God, this day we have come to learn about your kingdom, to discover how things work when you are in charge. Let Your Spirit change us. Instruct us by your wisdom, guide us by your Word, inspire us by what is said and done here today. Amen.

“One of the principal rules of religion is, to lose no occasion of serving God. And since he is invisible to our eyes, we are to serve him in our neighbor.”
John Wesley (1703-1791), English clergyman, leader of revival known as Methodism

Epistle Lesson

Philippians 2:1-11

Elder Lindsay Skidmore

Gospel Lesson

Mark 10:32-45

Sermon

“Shaky Servants of the Lord” 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

"Great occasions
for serving God
come seldom, but
little ones
surround us
daily."

Francis de Sales
(1567-1622),
Roman Catholic
Bishop of
Geneva

Offertory

"A flower remembered. . ."

John Rutter

*A flower remembered can never wither;
Forever blooming as bright as day,
Its fragrance lingering like music softly playing,
A gentle voice that's saying
I'll never fade away.*

*I hear the echoes of many voices;
Sometime they're distant, sometimes so clear;
Through all sounds of life they seem to whisper,
"Will you remember?"*

*The birds fly homeward across my valley
Toward the mountains all white with snow;
The birds are gone now, the mountain snows have melted,
But still I see their beauty, these scenes of long ago.
The birds still fly in other valleys;
The snows have turned to flowing streams;
All things must pass, but memories are lasting:
We will remember.*

*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.*

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

**We affirm that Jesus was born of woman as is every child,
yet born of God's power as was no other child.
In the person and work of Jesus,
God himself and a human life are united but not confused,
distinguished but not separated. The coming of Jesus was itself
the coming of God's promised rule.
Through his birth, life, death, and resurrection,
he brings about the relationship between God
and humanity that God always intended.**

**We recognize the work of God in Jesus' power and authority.
He did what only God can do.
We also recognize the work of God in Jesus' lowliness.
When he lived as a servant and went humbly
to his death the greatness that belongs only to God was manifest.
In both his majesty and lowliness
Jesus is the eternal Son of God, God himself with us.**

*Hymn #720

"Jesus Calls Us"

GALILEE

*Benediction

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*



"Therefore, my
beloved, be
steadfast,
immovable,
always excelling
in the work of the
Lord, because
you know that
in the Lord your
labor is not
in vain."
1 Corinthians
15:58

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 17	9:30 am	Hybrid (Zoom and in-person-Room 304 Adult Sunday School Class
	10:00 am	Sunday School Classes
	11:00 am	Worship in-person and live-Stream
Monday, October 18	7:00-8:00 pm	Zoom Bible Study
Tuesday, October 19	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday, October 20	10-11:00 am	Bible Study-Zoom & In-Person-Rm 304
	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Practice



NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Please join** the minister for Bible Study on either Monday, October 18 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. via Zoom or Wednesday, October 20 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in person (Room 304) or via Zoom. This week we will talk about Mark 10:46-52, the healing of blind Bartimaeus. Check your email for the Zoom links.

* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. If you have any concerns or business for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.



The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Bill and Susan Walters in memory of Bill's brother, Al Elgin.



SPECIAL HURRICANE IDA OFFERING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

We will receive a special Hurricane Ida offering on Sunday, October 24. You may write a check to Wallace Presbyterian Church and mark it for "Hurricane Ida Aid." Mail your check to P.O. Box 717, Wallace, NC 28466 or drop it in the mail slot on the front door of the church office building or in the offering plate during worship. You may also contribute online at www.wallacepresbyterian.com.

The offering will be divided among the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program and RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans).

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crises and catastrophic events. Read more at www.pda.pcusa.org.

RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans) is an outreach ministry of the St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church in New Orleans. The ministry was founded in response to Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Since its founding, RHINO has hosted more than 8,000 volunteers from over 43 states and three countries. Read more at www.rhinonola.org or www.scapc.org/relief/.



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