

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*When we appear at your banquet, O Lord, seeking seats of honor,
You'll be in the kitchen, making up the guest room, or comforting the little children.*

GATHERING

WELCOME AND NEWS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come to worship our God, to listen to the One who calls us here.

All: We come trusting God to lead us in the coming days, as God has always done.

One: We come to worship our God, and shout with joy to this wondrous God.

All: We come to the Creator of all things, to be bathed in the waters of life.

One: We come to worship our God, and sing aloud to this One who saves us.

All: Let us worship Almighty God with abounding joy!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #67 "Come, We that Love the Lord" ST. THOMAS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Despite all the ways we speak of sin – failures, mistakes, bad acts, Scripture tells us that we are stubborn-hearted. But if we pause to listen to God, if we open our mouths and our hearts to confess our sin, God will fill our emptiness with mercy and hope. So, let us pray, using the words in the bulletin, followed silently by our own personal confessions to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are always uncomfortable, Holy One, when you notice how we assume that we should sit in the seats of honor. We can be so proper, so good, so well-off, that it is easy to imagine we are superior to the others. We are so busy completing our 'To Do' list each day, that we often forget to do good when we have the chance. Forgive us, Merciful God. Fill our emptiness with your grace and humility, so that we may spend our lives alongside Jesus, our Lord and Savior, throwing a party for the poor, the damaged, the prisoner, the lost, the forgotten and the oppressed. Amen. (Time of silence for personal confession to God.)

** All who are able may stand*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: This is the good news: after what God has done for us, what can anyone or any thing do to us? We are new people, graced by our loving God, because in the name of the Messiah, we are forgiven.

All: Forgiven, embraced, welcomed by our God, we will offer open hearts and our serving hands to everyone we meet. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #734 "Gloria Patri" GREATOREX

TEACHER RECOGNITION

Dianne Cothran

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Let us pray: Holy God, Architect of our grace: from your house we praise you. Your love is never taken from us. Your goodness is the constant in our lives. Teach us through the words of your Holy Scripture, that we might learn to comprehend some of your mystery. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 112

Pew Bible page 692

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

"Liebestraum/Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Liszt/Chisholm/Runyun/ Kartsonakis

Lynn Green, Pianist

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 14: 7-12

Pew Bible Page 94

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON

"How to Give a Dinner Party"

Rev. Candice Klein

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. 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!" This, we believe. Amen.

– A Brief Statement of Faith 10.4

*HYMN #458

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

ANGEL'S STORY

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology

OLD 100th

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.

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*HYMN #463

"Revive Us Again"

REVIVE US AGAIN

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Blessing"

Dengler/Dengler

Walk in the light of Jesus, piercing the darkness of the night.

Follow the radiant morning star that shines so clear and bright.

Walk in the light of Jesus; giving you hope to travel on,

Shedding its rays upon the path that leads you to the dawn.

Walk in the light. Walk in the light. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE

HOSPITAL: Bill Hamby (Summit)

KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS: Andy Anderson (Mike Anderson's father); Elizabeth Belard (Sharon Sides' daughter); Eugene Branham; Ann Davidson; Jed Downing; Fred Duffer; Jim Hawkins; Pat Hibbett; Rhett Hitchcock (grandson of Linda and Jim Suddarth); Sharon Kenny; Julia MacFarland; Harry Marsh; Thomas Powell (Susie Driver's nephew); Mildred Stanley (Tommy Boze's mother); Brim Stone

NHC GALATIN: Frances Massey

THE HEARTH: Joe Blackshear; Anna Gasser; Norma Jones

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE SIGN the "Attendance Register" so that we may have a record of your presence with us.

SERVING AT WORSHIP: Head Usher: Chuck Deck; Liturgist: Rachel Jones; Nursery: Alison Turner and Carrie Mabrey

THE FLOWERS this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God and given in memory of our parents, George and Dottie Painter, by their children and grandchildren.

WE WELCOME Shelia Pugh, of The Royal Music Guild, who is our guest organist this morning while Robert is away on vacation.

TEACHER APPRECIATION: This morning we will recognize all of our Sunday School teachers and the good work that they do.

CHURCH FAMILY RETREAT at NaCoMe will be September 27th-29th. There is a sign-up sheet outside the church office. Please let us know of your interest so we can plan accordingly. The study book, *It's Complicated* by Jack Haberer, has been ordered and will be available for \$15.00. Questions? Contact Dianne Cothran.

CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE (CONC): It is that time of year again for electing new elders for the class of 2022. If you know of someone who you feel is called to serve, please write their name on the insert provided in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: We have added another day for picture taking. It is Monday, October 7. Appointments begin at 2pm. Carrie Mabrey will be downstairs this morning if you would like to make an appointment.

NACOME RETREAT: There will be a meeting to finalize plans for the retreat immediately after worship in the Friendship Classroom. It will be short, but we just need to check on carpooling, meals, etc. Materials about what to bring and what not to bring will be available, directions to NaCoMe, as well as the schedule for the .weekend. Please join us even if you have not yet signed up. We always have room for more!

CHANCEL CHOIR: Our Christmas Choir program is set for Sunday, December 8th, at 4:00 p.m. If you feel you cannot sing from week to week, but would like to join us for the Christmas music, you are certainly welcomed. Rehearsals begin on Wednesday, October 2nd, at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. Please speak with Robert or call him @ 615-417-3619 if you have questions.

GROCERY CARTS: The month of September we are collecting for **Gallatin CARES:** Peanut butter, jelly, cereals, canned fruits

HomeSafe: Cleaning products, laundry detergent, toilet paper, paper towels, bathroom cleaner, diapers sizes 4,5, and 6, mac and cheese

Please bring your items and put them in the grocery carts in the downstairs lobby.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TOGETHER: Our Wednesday night dinners have begun. Please see your insert for reservations. Reservations are due by noon Monday.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30am-4:30pm

Friday 9:30am - 1:00pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:45am Confirmation Class

9:00 Sunday School

10:00 Worship

11:15 NaCoMe Meeting

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

10:30am Meals on Wheels

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

10:30am Meals on Wheels

5:30pm HomeSafe

6:30 Cub Scouts

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

4:00pm The Foundation for CAP

5:30 WNT Dinner

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

10:30am Meals on Wheels

6:30 Boy Scouts

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

10:30am Meals on Wheels

1:00pm Church Office Closes

NaCoMe Retreat

CHURCH STAFF

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Organist/Choirmaster

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