# Morning Worship—August 18, 2019 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor.

\*Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.

As the chimes ring in the worship hour,
we invite people to enter a time of personal reflection and congregational worship.

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** "March In D" by Handel/Blake

#### RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Psalm 147)

Leader: Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to God, and how pleasant it is to sing together the praises of his name.

People: Let us sing to the Lord with thanksgiving and let us make music to our God.

Leader: His pleasure is not in the strength of those who wield worldly power. The Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love.

People: How good it is to sing praises to God, and how pleasant it is to sing together the praises of his name. Praise the Lord!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you have lavished good gifts upon us and upon the world of your making. We confess that we often take for granted the blessings that you provide. We fail to notice the beauty of the created world. We become complacent in our family relationships. We forget to express gratitude to long-time friends. And, O Lord, we fail to share the same love that you have for your covenant people. We often view the church through the same worldly perspective that surrounds us each day. Forgive us for the times that we focus on numbers, power and influence rather than faith, hope and love. May your Holy Spirit give us insight and stir our love for what you have made us to be as the body of Christ. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's Word of grace: We are accepted; we are forgiven; we are loved. This gift we have from God our heavenly Father.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### \*GLORIA PATRI (579)

GREATOREX, 1851

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.

#### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Joyce Perez

(children exit for Sunday School)

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON (486/512) Isaiah 5:1-7
ANTHEM "Take Time To Be Holy" by William D. Longstaff

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON** (852/895) Hebrews 12:1-2 **SERMON** "Surrounded by Witnesses" Rev. Steve Willis

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (See Apostles' Creed in Aids to Worship pew insert)

#### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE 507

"I Come with Joy"

#### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

#### **DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offering in Music "He Is Exalted" by Mark Hayes
\*Doxology 591 OLD HUNDREDTH

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

#### \*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 383

"Take Up Thy Cross"

(children return from Sunday School)

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You" P. Lutkin

POSTLUDE "Festival Toccata" by Rex Koury

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PASTORAL CONCERNS—Brian Anderson (H. Perryman's brother), Chlodine Bittner (J. Weller's grandmother), Amy Bracey, Matthew Dolianitis, Betty & Bill Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn (W. Gunn's brother), Flo Hall, Bob Lowther, Martha McQueen, Carolyn Miles, Sali Parker (K. Dolianitis), Ella Ryan, Mary Ann Shelton, Andrea Smith (G. Gunn's cousin), Taz Stephens (P. Brandon's nephew), Debra Thompson (C. Bolt daughter), Nultie Wiseman, Easton Zunker The concerns of those who wish to remain unnamed. Our PNC Committee.

Our Service Personnel & First Responders. The people of Togo.

**ON THE MEND** — Mrs. Helen Harris

The Diaconate would like to revive the bible study on Saturday mornings for the Saturday Lunch Ministry. If anyone is interested to committing a few weeks a year to engage for 30-45 minutes with our lunch ministry guests (10:30-11:15am), please contact Kent Shelton or Susan Mathena. We would like to have a roster of leaders, develop a schedule for the year. All you need is a love to spread the WORD.

Youth meet at the church tonight at 5 p.m. for our Progressive Dinner. All Youth are invited to enjoy our first event of the season.

#### SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School K. Clifton & D. Shelton Combined Sunday School TBA Elders at Front Door D. Parris Security & Side Door B. Takata Visitation N. Bracev Deacon to Receive Offering N. Bracey

Officers to Count Offering Barrett/ N. Wilson

Church School Superintendent Gail Davis Liturgist J. Perez Time for Young Disciples J. Perez Sound System C. B. Strange Ushers Team 3 Flower Ministry Youth

Childcare Specialists Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler Saturday Lunch Ministry Aug. 24 B. Hayes/J. Nostrandt

Saturday Lunch Attendance 8/10 49



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#### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

MONDAY, August 19

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, August 21

5:30 p.m. **PNC** Committee 6:00p.m. Youth Group

FRIDAY, August 22

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, August 23

11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, August 24

9:45 a.m. Sunday School: See below for Class information 11:00 a.m. Worship

Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS

Fellowship Noon

### Opportunities to Study the Word every Sunday Morning

Youth & Adult Sunday School 9:45 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.

Youth (middle & high school) Rm 112 /discussion type class studying scripture lesson used in Sunday's sermon Bible Seekers/Rm 109/ "Feasting on the Word" / discussion type class

Bible Study Fellowship/Library/ Ligonier Ministry's "Tabletalk Magazine" / discussion type class Outlook/Rm 322/"The Present Word" / lecture type class

The Children's Extended Time (mid-worship 11:15-12:00) Deep Blue Cokesbury Curriculum

K-2 /Rm304/various instructors/Gr 3-5/Rm 306/various instructors

Nursery care from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM & Sunday School for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.