

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
October 31, 2021
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

*Time for quiet prayer and meditation . . .
"Be still and know that I am God."*

We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Stewardship

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful" arr. Davis

* Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord!
For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

People: The Lord heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.

Leader: He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.

People: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.
(Psalm 147:1, 3-5)

* Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" No. 275

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

O Lord,
you who are all merciful,
take away our sins,
and enkindle within us the fire of your Holy
Spirit.

Take away these hearts of stone from us
and give us a heart of flesh and blood,
a heart to love and adore you,
a heart which may delight in you, love you, and
please you,

for Christ's sake. Amen.
(Ambrose of Milan, 340-397 A.D.)

* Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria Patri

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.

God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Lesson Psalm 77:11-20

L: I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

P: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.

L: O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down
to the pit.

P: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.

L: For his anger is but for a moment,
and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.

P: As for me, I said in my prosperity,
"I shall never be moved."

L: By your favor, O LORD,
you made my mountain stand strong;
you hid your face;

I was dismayed.

P: To you, O LORD, I cry,
and to the Lord I plead for mercy:

L: **"What profit is there in my death,**
if I go down to the pit?

Will the dust praise you?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?

P: Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!
O LORD, **be my helper!"**

L: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
you have loosed my sackcloth
and clothed me with gladness,

P: That my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

Quartet "Elijah Rock" arr. Dilworth
Robert Norris, John DuBose, Monty Oxendine, Gregg Branham

Scripture Lesson II Kings 5:1-19

Sermon God's Prophets: Elijah and Elisha Dr. Seel
VIII. Naaman Is Healed and Humbled

* Hymn "There Is a Balm in Gilead" No. 792

We Respond to God's Word

* Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven
and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead; He
ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of
God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come
to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy
Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the
body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" arr. Carter

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication No. 606

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.

* Hymn "Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!" No. 305

* Charge and Benediction

* Benediction Response "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

*In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion.
Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love.
May your peace fill our hearts. May we know the love of Jesus.
By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole.*

* Postlude "Declare His Glory" McDonald

* Congregation Stands

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your
request, tear off this
form, fold, and place in
the offering plate.

Name and date: (optional)

(These are kept confidential!)

The Tuesday Morning Prayer
Group meets each week at
10:00 a.m. to pray for the
EPC family and any other
special needs.

WELCOME TO VISITORS

If you are visiting today,
we would like you to know
that it is a privilege to have
you with us. It is our hope
that you will find a warm
welcome and an atmosphere
to worship God.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS
 Dedicated to the Glory of God,
 and in appreciation of our
 Ministers and Staff who worked
 with unselfish devotion and
 energy to keep our church
 family in worship and in touch.
 By Dottie Grantham

NEW INFORMATION???
 New phone number?
 New email address? Any
changes in your family's
 information?
 To keep the church's records
 current, fill out the form below
 and return it in the offering
 plate, or call/email the office.

Name: _____

New Information: _____

Wonderful Wednesday
Meal Reservation
 November 3
 Chicken & Rice Soup,
 Grilled Cheese
 Sandwiches,
 & Brownies

Prepared by: Chuck Dawkins

Family Name _____

of meals _____

\$5 per plate

Reservation deadline
 is by 12:00 noon on
 Mondays!!! You may
 call the church office at
 859-4220 or sign up
 online.

NURSERY STAFF
 Victoria Rose Brock Liliana Guerra

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS TODAY
9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
 Kelli Burnett Nursery Staff

CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY
9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
 Kristi Dockery Charlene Brock
 Tony Brock

SAFE PLACE MONITOR
 David Owen

TODAY'S GREETERS
9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
 Dennis Latham Lori Brock Marcia Humbert
 David Weaver Phil Darity Jean Smith

OCTOBER USHERS
9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
 Stephen Roach, Head Marian Dawkins, Head
 Lucas Durham, Asst. Michael Baker, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT VIDEO
 Carolyn Brice Dennis Latham
 Gracelyn Latham

MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to Drew Crittendon and Camryn Stansell
 who were married on Sunday, October 24, 2021.

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