



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship
Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 25, 2017 11:05am

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Fred Holbrook
(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)

MOMENT FOR MISSION Catholic Charities Denise Ogilvie

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS Richard and Rosemary Gibson
Rich and Rosemary, as members of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, you do not come to us as strangers, but as a brother and sister in Christ Jesus. We welcome you to the worship and work of Grace Covenant Church.

Will you now acknowledge your faith by answering the following questions?

- Do you turn to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?
- Do you acknowledge yourself to be broken in the sight of God, and place your trust and hope in God's sovereign mercy?
- Will you devote yourself to the church's teaching and companionship, to the breaking of bread and prayers?
- Will you share the good news of God's reconciling love with others, serve Christ, and seek to share God's love, justice, mercy and peace wherever you may be?

Questions to the Congregation:

- Do we, the members of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, welcome Rich and Rosemary into this household of faith?
- Do we promise to love and care for them in the way that God loves and cares for us, while encouraging them through our words and example to participate fully in the life of the church?

INTROIT "This Is the Day the Lord Has Made" by Mark Hayes
Chancel Choir Text based on Psalm 118:24

*This is the day that the Lord has made, and I will sing my Maker's praise!
This is the day the Lord has made; I will rejoice and give God praise!
Who is like unto our God the Lord, strong and mighty?
Who is like unto our God who reigns above in glorious splendor?
You are the Rose of Sharon, the Lover of my soul.
You are my heart's Desire; My soul implores me to exalt your holy name.
Your name is music unto my ears; And I must sing of the great love
you have shown to me because my heart will not be still.
This is the day the Lord has made. I will be glad!*

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 9:1-2

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord with all our heart;
All: let us tell of God's wonderful deeds.
One: Let us be glad and rejoice in the Lord;
**All: let us sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High.
Let us worship God.**

*HYMN 761 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" BEECHER
(The children are invited to come forward on the final stanza.)

COME AS A CHILD

(Worship bags are available for children who remain in the Sanctuary. Nursery age children are welcome to be taken to our Nursery which is located in the Children's Wing. An usher can direct you.)

Sing "Jesus Loves Me!" JESUS LOVES ME
*Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong. They are weak but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

CONFESSION OF SIN **(unison)**

Almighty and Ever-Present God, you expect us to hear your word and follow your commands. Yet we run. We run away from that which is difficult or challenging or hard. We disappoint you and fail to bring good news to the poor, sight to the blind, hope to the hopeless. Forgive us, Lord. Fill us with a deep desire to turn from our pathways and follow you. Create in us a yearning to do your will. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: I declare to you that the Lord is our stronghold in times of oppression, our stronghold in times of trouble. Friends, say the good news with me...
All: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed Hymnal, page 17
(Common Text Version)

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.
All: And also with you and all others!
(Let us greet one another with expressions of love.)

*HYMN 621 "I Will Call Upon the Lord" I WILL CALL

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

*Equipping People to Develop and Share a
Faith That Works in Real Life*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jonah 1:1-3, 2:10—3:5 Cheryl Johnson
(Old Testament, Page 859)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 21:15-19
(New Testament, Page 116)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON "The Second Time Around" Fred Holbrook

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC Linda Dover
"Holy Manna" arr. John Leavitt

*HYMN 703 "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" ST. CATHERINE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Linda Dover
"Sent Forth by God's Blessing" arr. John Leavitt

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