



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2017 11:05am

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

PRELUDE Linda Dover

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
One: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
All: You have set your glory above the heavens.
One: When we look at the heavens, the work of your fingers, we ask:
All: "What are human beings that you are mindful of us?"
One: Yet you have made us a little lower than yourself,
All: and crowned humanity with glory and honor.
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
We are here to worship and honor you, Almighty God.

***HYMN 12** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ST. DENIO

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 by W.B. Bradbury
*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)
Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not honored your name. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
One: If a person is in Christ, he or she becomes a new person altogether—the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new.
All: We are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

***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 14** "For the Beauty of the Earth" DIX

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

SUNG TESTIMONY "There Is a Balm in Gilead" arr. Mark Hayes
Beth Lillian, soprano
*There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.
Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain;
but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.*

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 20:7 Rick Randolph
(Old Testament, Page 66)
Psalm 8
(Old Testament, Page 492)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 6:5–13
(New Testament, Page 78)
Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON "God's Name" Fred Holbrook

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC Linda Dover

***HYMN 21** "Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works" LACQUIPARLE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Linda Dover

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Today marks the beginning of a sermon series on the Lord's Prayer. Each week, we will be reading and reflecting on the prayer Jesus taught us in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 6:7-13). On August 6, when the Holbrooks are visiting their children in Virginia, the Rev. Jennifer Deitz Battaglioli will be preaching. Her scriptures and sermon title are included below.

These are the additional scriptures and the sermon titles for each Sunday.

July 23	Exodus 2:7, Psalm 8	God's Name
July 30	Psalm 146	God's Kingdom
August 6	Psalm 42; Galatians 6:2	We Carry Each Other: Practicing Hope
August 13	Psalm 145	God's Will
August 20	Exodus 16:4-12	God's Bread
August 27	Psalm 51:1-17	God's Forgiveness
September 3	Romans 8:31-39	God's Deliverance
September 10	Revelation 5:6-14	God's Worthiness
September 17	Matthew 6:7-13	If God Talked Back