



# GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship  
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2017 11:05am

*Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community*

THE LIGHT ENTERS Connor Chaffin

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

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Laura Holbrook

SENDING AND WELCOMING Miles McDonald and Laura Holbrook

INTROIT "Clap Your Hands Together" by David Rasbach  
KC Men's Ensemble – Art Lafex, director based on Psalm 98  
*Clap your hands together, all ye people; worship God with one accord;  
sing his praise together, all you people; lift your voices to the Lord!  
Clap your hands! Lift your voice!  
All you people, praise the Lord! Rejoice!*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 145:15-16)  
One: The eyes of all look to the Lord,  
**All: and God gives us our food in due season.**  
One: God opens loving hands to all,  
**All: satisfying the desire of every living thing. Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN 409 "God Is Here!" ABBOT'S LEIGH  
*(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 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.*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and do your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.  
Friends, say the good news with me...  
**All: In Jesus Christ, our sins 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 435 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" IN BABILONE

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

SUNG REFLECTION "The Yearning" Music by Craig Courtney  
Words by Susan Bentall Boersma  
*There is a yearning for the Lord who visited his own,  
and by his death for sin atoned, to bring us salvation.  
Emmanuel, within our hearts, the yearning.*

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 145 John Gilbert  
*(Old Testament, Page 581)*  
*(read responsively—leader reads odd numbered verses, all read even numbered)*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 6:7–13  
*(New Testament, Page 5)*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.  
**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "God's Will" Fred Holbrook

*Sending People to Serve in the World*

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC Words by Anne Barbour  
"The Holy One" Music by Marsha Skidmore  
Robert Ritter, soloist arr. Mary McDonald

\*HYMN 697 "Take My Life" HENDON

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *(seated)* "Fill-a Me Up!" by Pepper Choplin  
KC Men's Ensemble – Art Lafex, director  
Robert Ritter and Mark Mies, soloists  
*Fill-a me up, come-a Holy Spirit, fill-a me up to the top-a my soul.  
Fill-a me up, come-a Holy Spirit, fill-a me up now and take control.*

*\*If convenient/able, please stand.*

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