



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2017

8:50am

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

*SINGING

Holy, Holy, Holy

by Gary Oliver

Come and Fill This Place

by Brent Helming

*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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred Holbrook

(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)

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 (468)

"In My Life"

LORD, BE GLORIFIED

In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In your church, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.

In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

(From the Confession of Belhar)

We believe

- that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;
- that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged;
- that God calls the church to follow him in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;
- that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;
- that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;
- that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering;
- that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;
- that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;
- that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged;
- that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others.

Therefore, we reject any ideology

- which would legitimate forms of injustice and any doctrine which is unwilling to resist such an ideology in the name of the gospel.

We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all these things, even though the authorities and human laws might forbid them and punishment and suffering be the consequence.

Jesus is Lord.

To the one and only God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. 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.)

*SINGING

Here I Am to Worship

by Tim Hughes

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 16:4–12
(Old Testament, Page 63)

Sumner Holtzman

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

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"God's Bread"

Fred Holbrook

SINGING OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND SPECIAL MUSIC

Come and Feast by Reeves, Black, & Rutledge
Praise Team

*SINGING

To God Alone

by Aaron Shust and Jason Ingram

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

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