



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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September 9, 2018

8:50am

Service of Worship

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

*SINGING

Waterfall

By Chris Tomlin and Ed Cash

Awesome In This Place

By Dave Billington

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 1 (Common English Bible)

One: Truly happy people don't sit with the disrespectful.

All: Truly happy people love God's instructions for life.

One: Truly happy people are like a tree replanted by streams of water.

All: They bear fruit at just the right time

One: and their leaves don't fade.

All: We are here to sing, pray, listen, speak, give, and leave with our spirits renewed by God's Spirit. Let us worship.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred Holbrook

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

COME AS A CHILD

*(Children ages 4 through 1st grade may go to **Awakening to Worship**, our child-friendly worship time. Greeters at the back of the Sanctuary will go with children to Room 12 downstairs where parents may pick up their children following worship. Our Nursery welcomes young children and our ushers can assist families to the nursery located in the children's wing.)*

Sing 188

"Jesus Loves Me!"

*Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me."
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(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 loved you
with our whole heart and 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,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

(sing antiphonally) **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

All: The old life is gone; a new life has begun.

One: Know that you are forgiven, dear friends, and be at peace.

All: In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 17)

*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 Jesus' love.)

*SINGING

At All Times

By Vicky Beeching

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 1

Harold Frye

(Old Testament, Page 489)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Philippians 1:3-11

(New Testament, Page 196)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Gospel Partners: Complete the Work!"

Fred Holbrook

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

*SINGING

We Believe

By Travis Ryan, Richie Fike,
and Matt Hooper

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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