

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 4, 2016

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

Grand Choeur
Dearest Jesus, We Are Here
Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven
(The text for this hymn is no. 1 in our hymnal)

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist
Charles Sergisson
J. S. Bach
Andrews, arr. A. L. Page

GREETING

Peace be with you.
And also with you

PRELUDE

How Great Thou Art: Pastorale & Trumpet Tune
Carl Bingle, organ

Janet Linker

CALL TO WORSHIP ~ adapted from Psalm 139

Leader: In the morning I took flight - chasing the light.
In the night I hid - the darkness concealing.
I scaled a mountain to see beyond myself;
Ventured deep into my heart to reveal my breath.

People: Chase the early light or sleep in the watches;
Walk the heights or sit amongst your dust.
Wail with the lost; rejoice with the found.
Yet, offer peace for God is with you.
My heart is a mystery to me - the soul a puzzle.
I make my way not knowing where it leads.
Each day is a measure, each breath - weight.
There is no scale; there is no balance.
You are known more than you can know;
You are sought before you seek to find;
The Lord knows your heart and mind.
Let your prayers become your peace.



Arlene Wilson, Shane McWayne,
Gerda Barbour, and for the sick and
those who need God's comfort.

Prayer Help Available. Please call
the church office at 782-1750 if
you have a prayer request. Your
confidential prayer request will be
put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain.
Only those requesting public prayers
are included for prayers in our
church bulletin.



THIS WEEK

- September 5 Jordan Garry
- September 9 Jim Kettrick
- September 9 Kevin Kieff
- September 10 Mike Shanahan

On **Sunday, September 18th**, the **8:45am small group** which has studied world religions and wisdom with Michael Phoenix in room 10 will continue our study of Wayne Dyer's book entitled "Wisdom of the Ages." This book will be available for new students and Michael will moderate the discussions.

Join the **Northern Choral Society** for our 62nd season! If you have sung in choir before, our group should be just right for you. This year our theme will be "O Holy Night", using themes from each verse of the song; "O Holy Night", "Led by the Light", and "Truly He Taught Us to Love One Another". Rehearsals will begin on Sept. 25th at First Presbyterian Church with registration starting at 1:00pm and rehearsal from 2:00pm-4:00pm. See David Elmer, Sara Gleason, or Carl Bingle for more information.

***HYMN #793**

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all mercy, forgive our offenses. Forgive our misspoken words, our poor attempts at care, and our indifference. Let your forgiveness give us the strength to take no offense. Let grace work in us so we are not offended by the faults of others. Remove the impulse to judge so we may be compassionate; remove the quick anger that lashes back. Make of us a living image of Jesus, a life broken and offered, poured and given. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFSSIONAL PRAYERS

WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS

In Jesus Christ you are freed from sin and forgiven.

In Jesus Christ you are given the strength of the Lord.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON - Hymnal #700**

You are my hiding place, you always fill my heart with songs of deliverance; whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You. I will trust in You. Let the weak say, I am strong in the strength of the Lord!

LITURGIST WELCOME

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Luke 7:18-23 (New Testament, page 66 in pew Bibles)

CHILDREN'S TIME

(At this time we invite all K-7th graders to join us for Sunday School, please have children follow the teacher thru the door on the left. Children will meet parents in Fellowship Hall after the service.)

Hymn #188, verse 1

*Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love;
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.*

SECOND LESSON

Luke 7:24-35 (New Testament, page 66 in pew Bibles)

SERMON

“The Parent I Was Meant to Be”

Rev. Dr. Fred Garry

***HYMN #460**

Let Us Break Bread Together

LET US BREAK BREAD

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

The Lord's Prayer

David Elmer, soloist

A.H. Malotte

DOXOLOGY ~ HYMNAL #814

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

(Today's communion is by intinction. Please come forward, starting at the front, tear off a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. Those unable to come forward may be served in their pews.)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

“Holy Is the Lord” Hymnal #75

Pastoral Prayer

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

We have broken the bread and poured the wine.

Let the bread sustain us in our life.

Let the cup restore the joy of living.

SENDING

***HYMN #465**

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

THE POSTLUDE

Organ Sonata III: Allegro con moto

Carl Bingle, organ

Felix Mendelssohn

Communion Voluntary

Behold the Lamb

Carl Bingle, organ

arr. Leatherman