

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
14th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. August 29, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

People: Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart; they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

Leader: In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

People: They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

All: LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN (see insert)

“Change My Heart Oh God: Create In Me a Clean Heart”

Words and Music by Eddie Espinosa: Words and Music by Keith Green

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not considered your commandments or pursued your justice. We have failed to love kindness, and walk humbly with you, O God. Have mercy on us. Cleanse us

from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Clean”

Leah Metzger

CCLI Song # 7051604 By: Natalie Grant © 2015 SeeSeeBubba Songs

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

SCRIPTURE READING

James 1:17-27

SERMON

The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis

*HYMN

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” (see insert)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the

forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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

*HYMN “Lord Dismiss us with Your Blessing” (see insert)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand.**

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

Leading Worship: The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis, Pastor; Susan Lincoln, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director; Karl Morgan, Elder of the Month.

Announcements

Monday Morning Yoga 10 am

Operation Christmas Child Aug. collection list is available

Art and Fellowship Wednesdays 10am in Fellowship Hall

Prayer Meeting Thursdays 9:30 am in the church office

Ushers for Sept 5th: Steve Brown, Nancy Bell, Cindy Brown, Cathy Wiggins, Zachary Wiggins.



“Heart of the World” by Reva Mikhail

“Change My Heart Oh God: Create In Me a Clean Heart”

Change my heart oh God, make it ever true. Change my heart oh God, may I be like you. Change my heart oh God, make it ever true. Change my heart oh God, may I be like you.

You are the potter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

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Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me, the joy of Thy salvation, and renew a right spirit within me.

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“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer! Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

“Lord Dismiss us with Your Blessing”

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound; may the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound. ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.

Savior, when your love shall call us, from our struggling pilgrim way, let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey. may we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day.