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August 23, 2020

10:30 AM

GREETING

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 124

L: If it had not been the Lord who was on our side—let the people now say,

P: If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,

L: The flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;

P: We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN

“He is Our God”

Sovereign Grace Music

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, forgive us for allowing living water to be fouled. There are times when we blame you for all our troubles, and cast upon you the waste in our lives. Our wants are insatiable through misuse of your mercy; we tap your good graces with unending requests. We let the waters of our baptism become barren and stagnant; new life cannot flourish when we don't do your will. Cleanse us through Christ, in whose name we confess to you, and bathe us with mercy to give us fresh hope. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

L: The forgiveness of God is the story of loyalty returning, the drama of idolaters converting, the justice of evil hearts breaking, the wild dance of prisoners escaping. In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I tell you: we are forgiven.

P: Therefore, we will not return to the former ways but will take up the new life in Christ!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**The Apostles' Creed**

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.

OFFERING**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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.

ANTHEM**“Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)”****Katie Peterson****NT LESSON****John 6:1-15****SERMON****Accidental Idol****The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith****HYMN****“Jesus, Your Mercy”****Sovereign Grace Music****CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

PRAYERS

HEALTH CONCERNS

Kay Mader
Ruth Grover
Martha Wilkerson
Nita Wimer
Earl Flower – pneumonia
Amanda Harris
Bill Sedr – recovery from pacemaker surgery

MEMBER IN CARE FACILITIES

Earl & Jean Flower - Legacy

BIRTHDAYS

23 Madison Moyer
23 Alex Gangloff
25 Selena Nuckols
28 Linda Lickliter
29 Korbyn Ellis-Leigh Snyder
30 Shea Rainey

ANNIVERSARIES

24 Susan & Rick Johnson

IN THE MILITARY

Cole A Smiley, Army - Grandson of Nita & Woodie Wimer
Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice
Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and the late Willis Clemmer
Christopher Todd – Grandson of Ralph and the late Ruth Weller
Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.