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September 13, 2020

10:30 AM

GREETING

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, Almighty Father.

P: Bathe us in the knowledge of your presence.

L: Come, merciful Christ.

P: Those you have saved give thanks for your grace.

L: Come, Spirit of Life.

P: Fill our hearts with compassion.

L: Come, triune God!

P: We are gathered in your name.

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN

“10,000 Reasons”

Steph Macleod & Celtic Worship

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgiving God, you have promised to liberate us for new life. Despite our doubts, our fears, and our memories of past sins, forgive us. Lead us through the waters of regeneration, see us safely to the other side, that we might emerge, cleansed and restored, into the new life and the holy calling for which you have called your people. We ask this in Jesus' name. 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**“Be Thou My Vision”****Westminster Presbyterian Church Chamber Choir, Nashville, TN****NT LESSON****John 11:1-6, 17-27, 32-44****SERMON****Waiting for My Real Life to Begin****The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith****HYMN****“Christ the Sure & Steady Anchor”****Sovereign Grace Music****CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

PRAYERS

HEALTH CONCERNS

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

MEMBER IN CARE FACILITIES

Earl & Jean Flower - Legacy
Brannock Easley

BIRTHDAYS

17 Kay Moyer
21 Dick Robinson

ANNIVERSARIES

22 Sherill & Dick Robinson

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.