

October 30, 2022
21st Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Piano Sonata in F, Movement II" Haydn

WELCOME

TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL HUNGER OFFERING

INTROIT "Wake Up, Church, Wake Up!" Choplin

OPENING SENTENCES Ps. 118:1; Deut. 6:4-5; 2 Thess. 1:3

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

You shall love the Lord your God.

Thanks be to God for your abundant faith.

May the love of God continue to grow in us.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

+**HYMN #502** "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound" NEW BRITAIN

CALL TO CONFESSION

John 3:5

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God,
you call us to proclaim the gospel,
but we remain silent in the presence of evil.
You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,
but we are content to live in separation.
You call us to seek the good of all,
but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.
You call us to fight pretension and injustice,
but we sit idly by,
endangering the lives of people far and near.

Forgive us, O Lord.
Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit,
and give us the courage and strength
to be reconciled to others;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

... we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN #537 "Lord, Be Glorified" GLORIFIED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... We pray to you, Lord God.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Children and youth are dismissed to Sunday School

INVITATION TO OFFERING

2 Cor. 9:6

OFFERTORY

"Sonata No. 2, Movement III" Bortkiewicz

+**RESPONSE #809**

OLD HUNDREDTH

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

+**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from *The Scots Confession* (1560)

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 1:10-18

PSALM

Psalms 32:1-7

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!
**Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.
**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.
**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you
in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
**You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:1-10

RESPONSE

Go and tell everyone what you have seen and heard.
Thanks be to God.

Matt. 11:4

ANTHEM

"Amazing Grace"

arr. Schrader

SERMON

"Salvation Has Come to This House" Rev. Bill Pinches

+**HYMN #461**

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

ABERYSTWYTH

+**BLESSING**

... at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

1 Thess. 5:23

+**CHARGE**

... rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Thanks be to God!

+**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"
(verse 2)

SICILIAN MARINERS

POSTLUDE

"Etude in E"

Chopin

Join us for fellowship after worship.
You do not need to remain seated during the postlude.

SERVING US TODAY

Liturgist: Nancy Sue MacDonald
Greeters: Dan and Melissa Baker
Sound: Marty Subject
Livestream: Tami Chapman
Security: Tim Hammond
Today's flowers are given by
Ralph Taggart
in memory of
Alison Taggart

CHURCH HISTORY IN MINIATURE

#6. Pentecost (Part II):

When a crowd from many nations
hears the disciples talking in their own languages,
Peter realizes a very old prophecy is being fulfilled. (*Acts 2:5-21*)

THE STUDY CATECHISM

Question 39. How did Jesus Christ fulfill the office of priest?

He was the Lamb of God that took away the sin of the world; he became our priest and sacrifice in one. Confronted by our hopelessness in sin and death, Christ interceded by offering himself — his entire person and work — in order to reconcile us to God.

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DAILY PRAYER

search for “Daily Prayer (Presbyterian Book of Common Worship)”
in your podcast app, or go to www.buzzsprout.com/1466482

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today	Adult Education: <i>Friend of Sinners</i>	11:30 am
Wednesday	Lunch Packing for Advent House	10:30 am
	Prayer Fellowship	12:00 pm
	Wonderful Wednesday (children/youth)	3:15 pm
	Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm
	Wednesday Night Dinner	6:30 pm
Thursday	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
	Administration Committee	7:00 pm
	Board of Deacons	7:00 pm
Friday	Church Office closed / Pastor’s Sabbath	
Fri.—Sun.	Urban Plunge youth event	all weekend
Saturday	Fall Church Yard Clean-Up Day	8:30 am
	Yarners	10:00 am

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Bill Pinches	Oct. 30
Tyler Harkness	Oct. 31
John Zipp	Nov. 1

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Christ and Zacchaeus
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*The fruit of the Spirit
is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
(Galatians 5:22-23)*