

**WORSHIP GUIDE**  
**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**OCTOBER 9th, 2022**

**WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER**

**PRELUDE**

*Recercar dopo il credo*  
**Girolamo Frescobaldi**  
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**Scott Roberts, organ**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)**

**Liturgist**

One: Great and marvelous are your deeds,  
Lord God Almighty!

**All: Just and true are your ways,  
King of the ages.**

One: Who will not fear you, O Lord,  
and bring glory to your name?

**All: For you alone are holy.  
All nations will come and worship you!**  
*-from Revelation 15:3-4, NIV*

**HYMN OF PRAISE - *From All That Dwell Below the Skies (Hymn 20)***

*From all that dwell below the skies  
let the Creator's praise arise;  
let the Redeemer's name be sung  
through every land by every tongue.*

*In every land begin the song;  
to every land the strains belong.  
In cheerful sound all voices raise  
and fill the world with joyful praise.*

*Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;  
eternal truth attends Thy Word.  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore*

*till suns shall rise and set no more.*

**CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)**

**O gracious and gentle and condescending God,  
God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort:  
we confess before you the evil of our hearts;  
we acknowledge that we are too inclined  
toward anger, jealousy, and revenge,  
to ambition and pride,  
which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings  
between others and us.  
Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you,  
O long-suffering Father.  
Forgive us this sin and permit us to partake of the blessing  
you have promised the peacemakers,  
who shall be called the children of God.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**RESPONSE TO 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, amen.***

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Now together, with one voice, we pray the prayer you taught us to pray, saying:

**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.**

**OFFERTORY & CHORAL ANTHEM - *How Lovely and How Pleasant***

**Michael Burkhardt**

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***How lovely and how pleasant when people dwell in peace,***

*and love is ever present to bind them each to each,  
and love is ever present to bind them each to each.*

*As dew upon the mountain refreshes every flower,  
so love springs like a fountain for those who know its power,  
so love springs like a fountain for those who know its power.*

*Like sweetest oil pervading this temple where we meet,  
so flows a joy unfading o'er those at Jesus' feet,  
so flows a joy unfading o'er those at Jesus' feet.*

#### **RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS - Doxology**

*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*

#### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Isaiah 55:6-9**

#### **PSALTER 16C - Preserve Me, O God**

*Preserve me, O God, for I'm trusting in You.  
"Yes, You are my Master," I said to the LORD;  
besides You I do not possess any good.  
In Your holy messengers I take delight.*

*Those running to idols will multiply griefs.  
I will not pour out their drink offerings of blood,  
nor will I confess their vain names with my lips.  
The LORD's my inherited portion and cup.*

*You care for my lot, where the lines fell to me,  
my pleasant and lovely inherited land.  
The LORD who gives counsel to me I will bless,  
for surely my mind teaches me through the night.*

*The LORD ever present before me I keep.  
He stands at my right hand; I shall not be moved.  
My glory rejoices, my heart is made glad;  
and also my flesh will live safely at ease.*

***For You'll not abandon my soul to the grave,  
Your Godly One You will preserve from decay.  
Life's path You will show me; full joy is with You;  
Your right hand holds pleasures for me evermore.***

**DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON SCRIPTURE - II Thessalonians 1:5-12**

**SERMON - Cody Smith**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (ALL) - 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.**

**CLOSING HYMN - *The Solid Rock (Hymn 410)***

***My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.***

***(Chorus)***

***On Christ the solid Rock I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand,***

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*When darkness seems to hide His face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
in every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil.*

*His oath, His covenant, His blood  
support me in the whelming flood;  
when all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.*

*When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
oh, may I then in Him be found;  
dressed in His righteousness alone,  
faultless to stand before the throne.*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Toccata in F major, BuxWV 157*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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**Wednesday Night Meal & Bible Study:** There will be no meal on Wednesday, October 12th, due to fall break.

**Women's Bible Study:** The women's Bible study meets every Thursday through November 17th. However, we will not meet on October 13th due to fall break. The study is called "The Gospel Centered Life". We will meet upstairs in the Sunday School wing from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Maurer.

**Deacon Dinner and Trunk or Treat:** We will be having a church dinner and Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 30th, at 5:00 p.m. The Deacons are preparing a taco bar and hot dogs. You do not need to bring anything for the meal, but you can wear a non-scary costume if you choose. There is a sign-up sheet in the side sanctuary for those who want to decorate their trunks (you do not need to provide all of the candy/snacks). We also need donations of individually wrapped candies and snacks or Halloween favors. There is a basket set-up in the side sanctuary for the donations.

**Advent Craft Night:** The craft night will be Sunday, November 13th, at 5:00 p.m. The Deacons will be serving soup and chili.

**Advent Craft Leaders Needed:** If you would like to prepare and lead an Advent craft for our Advent Craft Night, please sign-up in the side sanctuary. Also, please submit a sample by October 30th.

**Prayer Requests:**

Hurricane victims/EPC churches in the wake of Hurricane Ian

Prolife facilities/the unborn

Peace in Ukraine

Alberta Satter

Archer Ruzic - seizure activity has increased

Clarellen Kelsay - in-home rehab

Dan & Lisa Greene - injuries from car wreck

Danny Nickelson - pancreatic cancer

Debra Swinehamer

Earl Luttrell - congestive heart failure treatment

Eric Burton - cancer

Fred Burton - recovery from surgery

Heather Jackson - seizures, mass on brain;

Hudson Lepis - leukemia

Hugh Carter

Janet Stone - recovery from foot surgery

Jean Williams

Joann Esteb - recovery from stroke

Letty Cherian - pancreatic cancer

Marion Krapf - Parkinson's and dementia

Paul Harsch

Rick Moss - chemo treatments

Sylvia Carrico -palliative care

Zack Firks - urgent need for kidney

**Sympathy:** Prayers for Victoria Yount and her family after the death of her father.

**Missionaries:** Josh and Libby Auyer - Czech Republic.

**October Birthdays:**

Sandy Ditmars - 4th

Ally McIntire, Drew Doty and Debra Swinehamer - 7th

Becky Wertz - 8th

Scott Henderson - 9th

Stanley Poe - 12th

**Daisy Browning and Blake Dicken - 13th**  
**Ivan Smith - 14th**  
**Vesper Sempsrott - 15th**  
**John Stevens - 22nd**  
**Amy Davidson and Marion Krapf -23rd**  
**Jean Henderson - 25th**  
**Polly Yount - 28th**  
**Natalie Grissom and Charlotte Weaver - 29th**  
**Judy Huber and Annie Leser - 30th**  
**Natalie Findley - 31st**

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