

Welcome to Worship! | June 23rd, 2024 | 5th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Prelude Variation on a Theme of Corelli

Aaron David Miller

Welcome

*Call to Worship

In the midst of life's storms, God is there.

What have we to fear?

In the darkness and terror, God is with us.

Of whom shall we be afraid?

Rise up, people of God, for you are loved and saved.

Thanks be to God who cares deeply for us.

*Hymn 612 We Praise You, O God

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Help us, God, for we do not have the wisdom to help ourselves. When the good we have known crumbles beneath our feet and we are mired down in hopelessness and self-pity, we need you. When we cannot hide from the evil that is all around us because some of it is also in us, we cry out for your saving mercy. We confess that it is easier to see the problems than the promise. We have been more ready to complain than to accept your help. O God, we open our hearts to you. We want to be healed. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Sung Response 582 Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Second Lesson 1 Samuel 17:1-49 (Pew Bible p. 248)

Sermon The Underdog Reality Check

Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

*Hymn 19 God of Great and God of Small

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed (hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

THANKSGIVING

Offering and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory Make Me An Instrument of Thy Peace

Arr. Mary McDonald

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love, where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Wherever there's despair, hope. Where there's darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy. O Lord, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive. For it is by faith that we believe. For in forgiving, we are forgiven. It is in dying that we are born to eternal life!

*Doxology 606

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*Hymn 309 Come, Great God of All the Ages

*Charge and Benediction

*Dismissal

We stand while the bell is rung three times, remembering that God, Creator, Redeemer and Renewer of Life goes with us.

Postlude Trumpet Tune

Douglas E. Wagnor

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor, Rev. Katherine B. Harrington Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger Choir Director, Angela Burns Organist/Pianist, Sara Bryant Adult Choir Production Coordinator, Jim Fox Lay Reader, Lisa Bohbrink

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 2024

Breakfast Sunday *June 30th at 10:00 am in Brown Hall* Join us in our brand-new, refurbished Brown Hall for breakfast and fellowship!

Where in The World is Matthew? Summer Vacation Matthew, our contemporary worship leader, will be traveling home to Australia for an extended vacation. He will return to lead us in worship on July 28th. Please send his family travel mercies as they reunite with loved ones.

Earth Care Corner *Farmers' Market* Enjoy fresher, tastier produce while reducing greenhouse emissions and plastic waste by frequenting your local farmers' market. As an added bonus, shopping markets helps small businesses and keeps more money in the local economy. See Saints Alive for more information.

Camp Fusion Update Thank You, Volunteers Last week, we hosted our first combined VBS/music and drama camp. We had 80 children, 60 volunteers, and made 100 mercy pouches for our homeless ministry and 40 care bags for refugee families at Church World Services. Special thank you to Cindy, Lynn and all our volunteers for an inspiring week.

What's in Session? *May Report* The session report for May 2024 is now available. See Saints Alive for more details.

Malawi Partnership Team *Fall Updates* We are excited to announce an upcoming visit from our great friends, and African partners, this September! See Saints Alive for more information on how to worship, fellowship, and connect with these special visitors.

Officer Nominations *Elders & Deacons* Please submit names for Elders and Deacons for the class of 2027 before August 1st. Scan the QR on the back of the announcement sheet or see Saints Alive for submission details.

Music on Market *Volunteer Opportunity* Music on Market is seeking music lovers to join the Board of Directors. Join the team and help bring free concerts to the local community! See Saints Alive for more details.

June Donation Drive *NourishNC* Go & Serve is partnering with NourishNC by collecting items to help provide food for children and their families. See an extensive list of items on the 15th St. bulletin board and Saints Alive for details.

Grades K - 5th *June Updates* Family Pool Party, 6/26, 6:00 pm at the Hawkins House. See Lynn Warner for details.

Grades 6th - 12th *June Updates* Family Pool Party, 6/26, 6:00 pm, the Hawkins House; Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference, 7/11-7/14; Youth \$5 Putt Putt, 7/17, 6:30 pm, The Golf Barn; Local Mission Trip, 7/21-7/25 (3 spots left). See Jen Phelps for details.

HOLY HAPPENINGS @ SACPC

Upcoming:

Sunday Mornings

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship

Weekly Events

Mondays:

7:00 pm AA Meeting

Tuesdays:

10:00 am More than a Story Bible Study

Wednesdays:

7:00 am Joe Mitchell Men's Bible Study (via Zoom) (1st Wednesday in the Dining Room, all others via Zoom)

7:00 pm AA Meeting

Fridays:

12:00 pm Al-Anon

June Special Dates

24th: Session

26th: Family Pool Party 30th: Breakfast Sunday















