

MORNING WORSHIP

June 6, 2021

Half past Ten O'Clock

Second Sunday after Pentecost

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Appalachia Service Project

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Breathe on Me, Breath of God
Handbell Chamber Ensemble

arr. Joel Raney

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Choir: Worship the Lord with gladness!

Congregation: Come into God's presence with singing!

Leader: Know this! The Lord is God.

Choir: Know this! We belong to the Lord who made us.

Congregation: Know this! We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

Leader: So, enter God's gates with thanksgiving,

Choir: Come into the holy courts with praise.

Congregation: Give thanks to God and bless God's holy name.

Leader: For the Lord is good;

Choir: God's steadfast love endures forever,

Congregation: God's faithfulness is for all generations.

+*HYMN 430

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

DARWALL'S 148TH

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalms 107:1-9, Colossians 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21

Leader: If we were self-sufficient, and had all the answers,

Congregation: we would not be here, God of steadfast love.

Leader: If our achievements matched our aims and if our deeds perfectly reflected our holist vows,

Congregation: we would not be so spiritually hungry, God of truth and grace.

Leader: If we had cared for our neighbors with the love of Jesus Christ,
and cherished our loved ones without selfishness or impatience,

Congregation: we would not be seeking Your mercy, redeeming God.

Leader: We bring to You our inept and evil ways, and rest the troublesome load of frustration,
disappointment, regret and guilt in Your hands. Please wash the infection from our wounds,
and anoint us with the salve of forgiveness. Take us gently by the chin and lift our faces so we
can look into the face of Christ without shame or fear.

**Congregation: With Him let us recover our authentic humanity and face all coming challenges with His
quiet strength and optimism. Amen!**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

Congregation: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 485

"To God Be the Glory"

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PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, children are invited to the Chapel.

They are welcomed back to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Colossians 3 (selected verses), pew Bible, p. 1073

SERMON

"Together At Last"

Lori Archer Raible

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Text to Give

704-734-9818

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me
Handbell Chamber Ensemble

arr. Joel Raney

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

*LITANY OF DEDICATION (Unison)

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise You for Your mercies, for Your goodness that has created us, Your grace that has sustained us, Your discipline that has corrected us, Your patience that has borne with us, and Your love that has redeemed us. Help us to love You, and to be thankful for all Your gifts by serving You and delighting to do Your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

APPRECIATION FOR CLASS OF 2021

INTRODUCTION OF ELDERS, CLASS OF 2024

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO ELDERS

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Leader: Do we, members of the church, accept these men and women as Elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

Congregation: We do.

Leader: Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is head of the church?

Congregation: We do.

THE LAYING ON OF HANDS AND THE ORDINATION PRAYER (Ordinands Kneeling)

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 525

"Here I Am, Lord"

HERE I AM, LORD

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Leader: May the peace of the Lord go with you;
People: Wherever God may send you;
Elders: May God guide you through the wilderness:
People: Protecting you through the storm.
Elders: May God bring you home rejoicing:
People: At the wonders God has shown you.
Elders: May God bring you home rejoicing:
People: And once again into our doors.

RESPONSE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Handbell Chamber Ensemble

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate, or bring it after worship to one of the ministers.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) reaffirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved away for military service, education, or work, and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (you have recently moved to this area and your membership is still elsewhere, or you simply seek to become part of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church in your faith journey).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Conversations, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn together about all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.