

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
August 20, 2017  
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

OPENING RESPONSE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 71)

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; incline your ear to me and save me.

**Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me.**

For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust from my youth.

**I have leaned upon you since my birth; my praise is continually of you.**

\*HYMN "Amazing Grace How Sweet The Sound" 280

CONFESSION OF SIN

With Christ as our hope, O God, we come before you seeking pardon. We confess that we have not worshiped you alone. Life makes its demands and we push you to the margins. You are for leisure moments, when our own work is done. Forgive us for our small minds and mistaken priorities. Restore in us the sense of your greatness and your ultimate claim upon our lives, for the sake of Christ our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI

FIRST READING 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

\*HYMN "Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee" 464

SECOND READING Luke 10:25-37

SERMON "The Path We Chose" Bill Quarles

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed (p.14 hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER (debts, debtors)

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER

\*HYMN "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" 540

POSTLUDE

\*Those who are comfortable doing so are invited to *stand*

**Welcome:** To all who worship with us this morning. Visitors and members are asked to please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad. Thank you for worshipping with us!

**Announcements:** Mark your calendars now! Sunday, October 1 will be the date we celebrate our 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a congregation!

Elder Bill Quarles, will be filling our pulpit today, please thank him for his presence and his faithfulness to Christ's Church.

Extra save the date cards are on table by bulletins. If you have someone you would like to invite please take one. You can either mail it or give address to church secretary to mail for you.

**Birthdays:** No birthdays this week.

**Anniversaries:** No anniversaries this week.

**Flowers:** Flowers were purchased this week by Julia Kasch in honor of Kirstie Kasch's birthday.

**Refreshments:** Toni Pool, provided refreshments for the Congregation today.

**Newsletter:** Deadline to submit articles and information for September newsletter is **August 21, 2017**. If you have an article or announcement please turn it in to Silvia or slip it under the door to her office.

**Pastor: Rev. Janell Blair (361) 920-2492**

**Pianist: Marilyn Pearce**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

9: 30 a.m. Sunday School – Upstairs Parlor      Sunday School - Room 104 Ed. Wing  
10: 10 a.m. Fellowship Time – Southeast Vestibule      **Session** – Session meeting – TBA  
10: 30 a.m. Morning Worship

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