
3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 18, 2023

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 100)

Mary Lee Travato, Liturgist

One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

All: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

One: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his;

All: we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

All: Give thanks to him, bless his name.

One: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

All: and his faithfulness to all generations. Let us worship the Lord.

*HYMN #473 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Gracious God, we come to you each week and promise to live lives which are in keeping with what you command of us, and each week we continue to fall short of those promises. Despite our shortcomings, you remain steadfast in your assurance of grace and forgiveness. Help us to come to you with a renewed intent to follow in your path each day, as we now confess our broken promises to you.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON).

Bountiful God, all that we can offer you stems from your generosity. All that we have belongs to you. May the gifts that we return to you become a blessing for your whole community, enriching and empowering us for the work to which you call us.

*HYMN #391 "Take My Life"

CHARGE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.



- **Today's Ushers:** Shane & Tricia Adams
- **Coffee Hour:** today is hosted by Nancy Runyans & Johanna Russell
- **6 Week Bible Study, The Book of Job:** Wednesdays May 10 – June 21, 11 a.m.
- **Baldwinsville Volunteer Center:** We are continuing to collect personal care items and cleaning supplies through the month of June to support the volunteer center. The goal is 500 items and we will have a special surprise when we reach this goal! Boxes for donations are in the Sanctuary and the church office.
- **Deacons:** Tues., June 20, 7:00 in the Media Center
- **Female Charitable Society Annual Meeting:** Weds., June 21, 1:00, in the Fellowship Hall
- **Ethel Frost:** Ethel Frost has a new address if you would like to send her a card:

The Commons at Garden Grove
 5460 Meltzer Court
 Building 8687, Room 13
 Cicero, NY 13039

Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Nancy Dobbins, Ethel Frost;
 Fred & Virginia Miller upon the loss of their son, Terry Addair

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**First Presbyterian Church
 Baldwinsville, NY**

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Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Heavenly Father, we confess that we have sometimes laughed at your expectations of us. We often reduce You to a distant concept, rather than a vivid living presence in our hearts. We reduce Your commandments to suggestions, and often question Your instructions. Loving God, forgive us for reducing our relationship with You to one of convenience and occasional comfort instead of one of life changing empowerment. Inspire us to read Your Word with curiosity and devotion. Inspire us to love those whom some would consider to be unlovable. Teach us to not to judge and help us to guide others towards Your saving grace and everlasting glory. Amen.

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri #579

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with all of you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7
red Bible p.17, black Bible p.14

Liturgist

MUSICAL OFFERING

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 5:1-8 **Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret**
red Bible p. 1373, black Bible p. 155

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)
Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret
red Bible p. 1181, black Bible p. 9

SERMON “Laughing In Disbelief” **Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret**

WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles’ Creed (UNISON)

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.

*HYMN #525 “Here I Am, Lord”

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Jesus felt tender compassion for the suffering people he met. He realized that many workers would be needed for a great harvest of mercy and love. This day you and I are called to this work for the reign of God. This very day you and I are called to a sweet labor of generosity, healing, and peace. Let us bring our gifts, then, so that the ministry of this church will be a growing, vibrant witness to God’s love. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.