# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 2, 2023 10:00 AM

## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

**PRELUDE** 

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 89)

Tricia Adams, Liturgist

One: Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

All: For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever;

you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

One: Happy are we who hear the joyful call to worship,

for we walk in the light of God's presence.

All: Let's worship God together - celebrating who he is and all that he has done.

For God is our strength and our protection, the One in whom we trust.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament,

A: united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm.

L: Send us out in the power of your Spirit

A: to live and work to your praise and glory, For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Every good thing is a gift from God — this amazing creation, the love of one another, our shelter and our clothing. We give our lives back to God as a way of saying thank you. We ask God to guide us in our giving so that we can best carry out the mission to which we have been called. We ask to be encouraged to give back with gratitude and joy. Let us now return to God our tithes and offerings.

**OFFERTORY** 

\*DOXOLOGY

# \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Mighty God, you have poured down on us all manner of gifts and blessings; the ledger of our lives is so overwhelmed with your goodness that we struggle with how small our offerings to you seem in comparison. The gospel reminds us that not even the smallest act of mercy and compassion – a cup of cold water – will go unnoticed by you. Give us the eyes to see those in need, the ears to hear those who cry for justice, and the hearts to comfort those hurting and grieving. We ask this in Christ, our rock, and our redeemer. Amen.

\*HYMN #276 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

**CHARGE** 

<sup>\*</sup>HYMN #488 "The God of Abraham Praise"

#### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

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\*For those who are able, please stand.

- Today's Ushers: Tom Eckrote & Martha Stevens
- Coffee Hour: today is hosted by Andrea Ducharme
- Worship & Music: Mon., July 3, 10:30 in the Media Center
- **Independence Day:** The church office is closed on Tues., July 4, in recognition of the holiday.
- Book Club: Tues., July 11, 10:00 in the Fireside Room
- **Session:** Tues., July 11, 7 p.m. in the Media Center.
- Lions Club Vision Screening: Mon., July 17, Noon 6 p.m. in the Media Center, free to anyone. Contact Lion Doug Russell for more information: (315) 952-2136 or dgr899@aol.com.
- **Deacons:** Tues., July 18, 7 p.m. in the Media Center
- **Rummage Sale:** Donations will be accepted beginning Mon., July 24 in the CEC Building. We are looking for a couple of distinct donations that could be used for a raffle. We are also looking for volunteers to work at the Rummage Sale. Please contact Kathy Bowen at <a href="mailto:kathyharp1626@gmail.com">kathyharp1626@gmail.com</a> or 315-635-7146.

# **Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence**

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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.

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weakness, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with boldness, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins against God and against our neighbor.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Merciful God, as we come to you at midday, we have gathered ourselves for the days of work ahead.

But we know that in the true light of day you can see what we've hidden and covered up.

We confess that we have denied water to those in need, we have polluted streams and lakes, we have played it safe: staying clear of the forbidden places that we pass on our way to somewhere more important to us; forgetting that we carry your Spirit, your Spark, your New Life within us, and that you are found when we veer off the track. Have mercy on us, O God, for we are sorry for all we have done in forgetting that we belong to you.

Help us to live in the Spirit's power and in the light of your love through Jesus Christ. 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 you all.

All: And also with you.

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 22:1-14

Liturgist

red Bible p.23, black Bible p.17

MUSICAL OFFERING

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 6:12-23

red Bible p.1374, black Bible p.156

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GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 10:40-42

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red Bible p. 1182, black Bible p. 11

SERMON "Covenant and Sacrifice"

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 #513 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from north and south and from east and west to sit at table in the kingdom of God. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. This is the Lord's Table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

A: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: We glorify your name and lift our voices in joyful praise.

Praise to you, O God, for all your works. You created the world and called it good and made us in your image to live together in love. You made a covenant with us, and even when we turned from you, you remained ever faithful. Therefore with all creation we sing your praise:

# A: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

L: Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son. He lived among us and told your story. He healed the sick and welcomed sinners.

He shared our pain and died our death, then rose to new life that we might live, and all creation be restored.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ and that we may be his body for the world. By your Spirit unite us with Christ and one another until we feast with him and with all your saints in your eternal realm of justice and peace. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**