



*Jesus Welcomes the Children (1973)**

Service for the Lord's Day

October 6, 2024

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering Around the Word of Worship

Gathering Music

Ruth Brown

Striking of the Hour

Welcome

Prelude

Circumdederunt me

Cristóbal de Morales

We Rise in Spirit and in Body

Call to Worship (responsive)

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

We proclaim your name to the whole human family.

We praise you in the midst of this congregation:

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Opening Hymn 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

Call to Confession

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (unison)

Sovereign God, you are majestic in glory and worthy of praise. Who are we, that you pay any attention to us? You have entrusted to us the care of all creation. Yet, we confess the times we have thought too highly of ourselves, and the ways we have twisted our charge to care for creation as permission to exploit it.

We confess we yield to the temptation to use other people. It is easy for us to ignore or take for granted our own privilege, rather than seeking to serve the vulnerable. Your desire is for peace, but so often we choose comfort and call it peace.

Remind us of who we are, and whose we are. Remind us of our interdependence with creation, and our dependence on you, our Creator. Set our hearts and minds on your will, made known to us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Silence is observed for Personal Confession

Confessional Hymn

KYRIE

*Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ, have mercy upon us,
Lord, have mercy upon us*

Declaration of Good News (responsive)

Hear the good news: the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all children of the one God.

Jesus is not ashamed to call us his beloved brothers and sisters. Our sin is forgiven, we are made one with Christ and with each other. Thanks be to God!!

Passing the Peace of Christ (responsive)

We are a people of peace, living in the grace of Jesus Christ. So let us greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children Are Welcome to Attend Children Church at Side Sanctuary Doors

Hearing the Word

All Sit

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading (Responsive)

Psalm 8

O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

You have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

Anthem

Be Present at Our Table, Lord
Quinn Hixson, tenor

Arlen Clarke

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.



Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason, Jesus is not ashamed to call them his brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Sermon

Bringing Children to Glory

Kyle Otterbein

Responding to the Word

All Stand

Response Hymn 526

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

LINSTEAD

Affirmation of Faith (unison)

from The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

All Sit

Offering

Offertory

Adoro Te

Johann Michael Haydn/ed. R. Proulx

Translation of Latin Text:

We sing your praise of Manna from on high, O Bread of Life Redeemer of the world: Holy, holy, holy, beyond measure, holy. Love's redeeming work is done in this wondrous Sacrament.

O Fount of life and Spring of water clear, O Word of God, we give you thanks and praise: Holy, holy, holy, beyond measure, holy.

Love's redeeming work is done in this wondrous Sacrament

All Stand

Doxology

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy God, we trust in the provision of your love and the abundance of your grace. May the gifts we offer sow seeds of peace and justice. Enable us to use them according to your will, until each child finds welcome, and all of creation is healed and reconciled to you. Amen.

All Sit

Sealing the Word in the Sacrament

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive)

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your heart.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

.... Therefore we praise you, joining the heavenly chorus and the global choir, singing forever to the glory of your name:

SANCTUS

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*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, hosanna in the highest.

Hymns at Communion

510 *We Gather Here*

507 *Come to the Table of Grace*

518 *Your Only Son*

DIVERNON

TABLE OF GRACE

LAMB OF GOD

The congregation is invited to sing as communion is being served.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

A Moment of Silence

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World

All Stand

Closing Hymn 134

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

Benediction

Postlude

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 715

J. S. Bach



Announcements

USHERS: Polen and Thomison families

COMMUNION SERVERS: Larry Warden, Mike Kanan, Karol Kirby Ahmed, J.B Hines, Susan Thomison, Debbie Trickey, Georgeanna Capito, Pamela Napier and Nathan Love

COMMUNION PREPARERS AND CLEANUP: Jean Harris and Sandy Franklin

COLLEGIATE ENSEMBLE: Johnna Smith, Aletheia Burt, Mack Overfelt, Wyatt Edmonds, Jeremiah Simpson and Quinn Hixon

LAY READER: Jan Morgan

MEDIA PERSONNEL: Laura Parkerson

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LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 13: Job 23:1–9; 16–17; Psalm 22:1–15; Hebrews 4:12–16; Mark 10:17–31

TODAY

DEACON OF THE WEEK this week will be Dan Stelling. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES continue to meet at 9:15 a.m. and will conclude an hour later in time for 10:30 a.m. church service.

TODAY'S SOLOIST is Quinn Hixson, is a recent Voice Performance graduate of WKU. Quinn performed in WKU's flagship choral ensemble, the WKU Chorale, and was active in Opera Theatre during his time at Western. Upon graduation, in the summer of 2023, Quinn served as a staff intern for Glimmerglass Opera in Cooperstown, New York. He is currently performing with the Orchestra Kentucky Chorale. We are delighted to have Quinn in the choir and at our church. Welcome, Quinn and thanks for sharing your talent.

THE AFTER CHURCH EATING OUT GROUP will be eating at the Jalisco Mexican Grill and Cantina at 2425 Scottsville Road. This restaurant was highly recommended by Barbara Brindle and Jan Morgan as a great place for Mexican food. You can choose from 10 kinds of tacos and 5 kinds of fajitas! Come join us at Jalisco's this Sunday, October 6. It is located in the same strip mall as Pub by Novo. If you have questions, please contact Mary Evans as soon at: (maryameliaevans@gmail.com or 270-791-7205)

COMING UP:

BLESSING OF THE PETS will take place Sunday, October 13th at 4:00 p.m. in the Courtyard. Bring your pets for fun, fellowship, apple cider and fall treats!

OCTOBER POTLUCK proposed by our Deacons and Fellowship Committee will be after worship on, **October 20th**. Plan to join us for a "Ghastly Affair," and bring something "Spooky" to share! We will have a Halloween theme for the month and there will be Halloween Grub, so bring in your favorite finger food for a "Halloween luncheon" in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m.



CECELIA MEMORIAL is having their 177th Church Anniversary Service on Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 3:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m. at 716 College Street, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101. There will be a keynote speaker from Lakeside, California, music from The Gospel Troop, and a short service. We will also have refreshments after the service. Thank you in advance and we are looking forward to your support; we hope see you there. Cecelia Memorial Presbyterina Church was established in 1847. Pastor Tim Williams, CRE, CP.

FALL FESTIVAL AT ROB BYRD'S FARM will take place on Sunday, October 27th. Rob Byrd is inviting our youth to have a Fall Festival at his farm from 3:00-6:00 p.m. This is a family event, so parents, grandparents, siblings and friends are welcome. Activities being planned include a hayride, fishing in the pond, volleyball, games, painting pumpkins and gourds, s'mores around a bonfire, and more. Bring a snack to eat with hamburgers!

BUCK IN A BASKET was voted on by the deacons on October 1st to make October's buck in a basket go towards hurricane Helene relief efforts in Montreat. We are including in this bulletin an insert regarding Montreat information we have received from the Montreat Conference Center. Next Sunday, we will provide a QR code that you scan that will take you directly to Montreat's donation page, if you would like to make monetary donation.

OTHER NEWS

OUR PRESCHOOL LEARNING CENTER is having their Annual Trick-or-Treating for the preschoolers at the church on October 30th and 31st. We would love to have the church members to participate by setting up areas within the church for the preschoolers to pick up a treat or to do an activity (*Please note that some of our kids have peanut and garlic allergies*). We will also accept treat donations to help make this a fun and memorable day for our kids. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please contact Cheryl or Robin at 270-843-4707 to be added to the signup sheet. Thank you in advance. -Kimberly Watkins, PLC Director.

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is having Oktoberfest on October 12th from 2-5:00 p.m. It will be Beer & Hymns at 2:30 p.m. and The Ringvolds at 4:00 p.m. This will be a family friendly event with plenty of activities for the family to enjoy, including: bounce house, face painting, children's activities, games and pet friendly fun. We will have a Stein Holding contest, craft beer will be available and local food trucks will be on-site. Donations and a portion of all proceeds will benefit Live The Proof Ministries.



WELCOME VISITORS!

We invite you to pick up visitor's information on your way out, either in the narthex or on the table on the right in the downstairs entrance hall. Ushers will be standing by to help you find them. Always know that a cordial greeting is extended by ministers, officers, and congregation.

Clerk of Session: Debbie Trickey **Treasurer:** Steve Moore
Elders: Class of 2025- Karol Kirby Ahmed, Buzz English, Pamela Napier, Julia Roberts, Julie Wedge; Class of 2026- Pam Bratcher, Rachel Crocker, J.B. Hines, Susan Howard, Mike Kanan; Class of 2027-Sam Evans, Nathan Love, Susan Thomison, Debbie Trickey, Larry Warden **Deacons:** Class of 2025- Barbara Brindle, Craig Long, Teri Polen, Ernie Small, Dan Stelling, Fred Trickey; Class of 2026- Phil Burkeen, Kim Ferguson, Kathy Higgins, Brianna Trickey; Class of 2027-Trudy Burkeen, Georgeanna Capito, Sally Calkins, Nancy Carwell, Evan Goad, Frederica Kernohan

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Calendar

Sunday, Oct 6

8:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Children's Music
9:45 a.m. Godly Play
10:30 a.m. Worship
12:00 p.m. Eating Out Sm. Group
5:00 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, Oct 7

9:00 a.m. GOD/DOG is Love
PLC Fall Break

Tuesday, Oct 8

9:30 a.m. Chair Yoga
11:00 a.m. Special Care
7:00 p.m. Sunny 16 Camera Club

Wednesday, Oct 9

7:00 a.m. Breakfast Group
5:15-6-15 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, Oct 11

7:30 a.m. Mens' Breakfast Group

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