

Nurture Good News

"For all of you share in God's grace." (Philippians 1:7)



INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN THE OLD STONE CHURCH OF INDEPENDENCE

24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, November 10, 2024



Coventry Cathedral – Reconciliation

C.J. Briggs, Music Director
Julie Lehmann, Church Secretary

John Bair, Liturgist
Rev. David B. Wigger, Pastor

Congregations are often the communities that practice generosity together.

~ Leanne Van Dyk, 8 Habits of Evangelism

~ *GATHERING TOGETHER* ~

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Matt 6:21 & Philippians 1:7*)

You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times:
For all of us share in God's grace.

*GATHERING

CALLED AS PARTNERS

GTG #761

by Jane Parker Huber (NETTLETON)

Verse 1



Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice called to min-is-tries of grace,
we re-spond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
e-qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful-fill God's chosen end.



May we learn the art of shar-ing side by side and friend with friend.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on Micah 6*)

With what shall we come before the Holy One,
and bow ourselves before God on high?

God has shown us what is good.

What does the Holy One require of us?

**To do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with our God.**

In that spirit,

Come, let us worship God.

*HYMN

WE GATHER TOGETHER

GTG #336

by Adrianus Valerius

KREMSER

POURING THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

LITANY OF SENDING

All: May God be with you there. **Kids:** May God be with you here.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord of all, we lament the state of our life together. We sow division rather than seek unity. We know, gracious God, that we cannot mend all the torn places in the fabric of our country. The rips are too big, the ongoing pulling apart too strong. We know, too, almighty God, that nothing is impossible for you. You promise to do abundantly more than we can ever hope or imagine. You call us to bold ministries of repair and reconciliation, justice and mercy. You command us to love. In Christ's name we pray. Amen. [*Silent Confession*]

***RESPONSE**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GTG #579

Russian Orthodox Chant

KYRIE ELEISON (Orthodox)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*based on Philippians 1:6-7*)

Believe the good news: **in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** (*from Rev. Bruce Reyes-Chow*)

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

SPREAD THE WORD

OUTREACH TEAM

MINUTE FOR NURTURE

STEWARDSHIP

~ **SHARING IN THE GOSPEL** ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

HEBREW BIBLE

LEVITICUS 19:1-4, 9-10, 17-19

Pew Bible p.102(OT)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.

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HYMN

THE MIGHTY GOD WITH POWER SPEAKS

GTG #13

by Michael Morgan

KINGSFOLD

GOSPEL LESSON MATTHEW 5:17-18, 21-26, 38-48, 7:12 *Pew Bible p.4(NT)*

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SERMON GENEROUS WITH EACH OTHER

~ TENDING THE GOOD NEWS ~

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(from the Confession of Belhar)*

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

***INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

***RESPONSE**

DOXOLOGY
by Thomas Ken

GTG #675 *(Verse 4)*
TALLIS' CANON

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

~ GOING FORTH TO NURTURE ~

***HYMN**

GOD IS HERE!
Fred Pratt Green

GTG #409
ABBOT'S LEIGH

***BENEDICTION** *(from Philippians 1:7, 9, MSG)*

So this is my prayer: **that our love may flourish more and more.**

POSTLUDE

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