## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**PRELUDE** 

"Blessed Jesus, We Are Here"

J. G. Walther

As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.

## SILENT MEDITATION

Only humans find their way by a light that illuminates more than the patch of ground they stand on.

Peter Medawar

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for

The conviction of things not seen

By faith, we trust in God's promise

That God will provide the foundation for our lives

Let us come together in worship

Knowing that God will equip us to live as children of the light.

## PRAISE AND ADORATION

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #32

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

**ELLACOMBE** 

(\*Please stand if you are able)

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, you made us in your image with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconsistent, our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness. In your tender love, forgive us and help us live into your call on our lives.

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND PETITION



### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI (#581)

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI



## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Rob Bailey for ROC Ministry, Ashland

A LESSON FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 33:12-22

page 549 of the pew Bible

# FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

# **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## The Lord's Prayer

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.

**ANTHEM** 

"Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Richard Shephard

# PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

THE GOSPEL LESSON

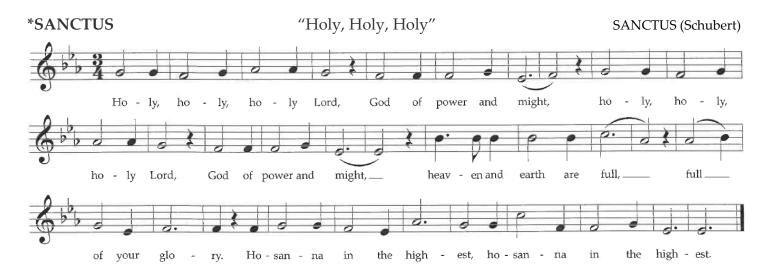
Luke 12:32-40

page 847 of the pew Bible

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

# **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**



# **RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY** 

"Keep Your Lamps!"

arr. Victor C. Johnson

## \*DOXOLOGY (#607)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Gracious God, through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

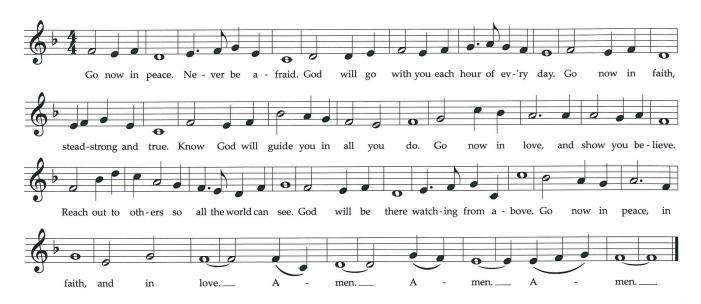
## **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION #307

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

**CWM RHONDDA** 

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION



POSTLUDE "Festival March" Theodore Dubois

### SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY

**Liturgist** Margaret Knight

Music Summer Choir; Kristi Treu, director; Dana Sloan, organ

Childcare Ministry Kari Murry, Chelsea Spielman, Brandon Fisher

**Ushers** Karen Morey, John Morey, Jim Miller, Linda Miller

**Greeters** North Door: Karen Saunders South Door: Doug Larson

**Information Center** Ardys Hansum

Coffee Host Sam Rennick

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**For your convenience during worship:** Bibles, hymnals, and sign-in books are in the pews. Blue envelopes are provided for the offering, and white prayer request cards are also provided. Prayer requests are confidential.

During the summer, worship is held at 10:00 a.m. only, and there is no Sunday School.

Our summer office hours are 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Monday – Friday.

Our two-service format and Sunday School for all ages resumes on the Sunday after Labor Day.

#### The Week Briefly

#### Sunday, August 7

10:00 Agape at Salem Baptist Church

10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & Livestream

Blessing of Backpacks

11:00 Coffee Fellowship

#### Monday, August 8

9:00 Music & Movement

10:00 Tai Chi

11:00 Music & Movement

6:30 CE Meeting on Zoom

6:30 Worship & Music Meeting Room 14

#### Tuesday, August 9

9:30 Staff Meeting

5:30 Membership Meeting Room 14

6:30 Mission Meeting Room 15

### Wednesday, August 10 BUILDING CLOSED

#### Thursday, August 11

9:00 Music & Movement

10:00 Tai Chi

11:00 Music & Movement

## Saturday, August 13

9:00 Backpack & School Supply Sorting

#### Sunday, August 14

10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & Livestream

11:00 Coffee Fellowship

11:00 Caring & Sharing Day Don & Millie's

4:15 Serve Dinner at Siena Francis House

## **Joys and Concerns**

- Verta Pugh is recovering from a broken hip.
- The flowers in the chancel today are given by Larry and Carolyn Will in honor of their anniversary.
- During worship today, we will invite students of all ages to bring their backpacks to the front of the church to receive a blessing for the new school year.

**Power Outage Is Set for August 10.** The building will be closed Wednesday, August 10 for the electrical upgrade related to our building project. The staff will be working from home and will not have access to church email because of the power outage. If you need to reach someone, please call the church office at 402-333-7466. All calls will be forwarded to Rock's cell phone. We hope it will go smoothly, and the building will be open as usual on Thursday.

**Tuesday Bible Study Reminders.** The Tuesday 1 p.m. Bible Study is on break until Tuesday, September 6. The 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study is on break until September 13.

Mission Back to School Supply Drive Ends August 12. School supplies and backpacks will be collected through Friday, August 12. Please drop off your backpacks and supplies by then. We will sort supplies on Saturday, August 14 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Get in the Game with Active Minds on Tuesdays in August! Active Minds meets in the lower level on Tuesday afternoons from 2-4. Please bring your own water and enjoy a very relaxed fellowship time. August will be a choice month for each table: Canasta, 10-point pitch, or Somerset. We can teach you to play any of these games! Questions? Contact Earlene Uhrig.

**Ribbons for Ukraine Available.** With the fighting in Ukraine now in its 6<sup>th</sup> month, we continue to offer ribbons to show your support. Place them anywhere that would remind you to say a prayer for a country that is fighting for their freedom. Your child may like to have one to put on his/her backpack for school. Bookmark ribbons are now available, too! Find the ribbons in the Narthex and in the church office area. Please contact Betty Baddley or the church office if you would like more ribbons.

What Are You Grateful For? Tell us by using the interactive bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Grab a sticky note, write what you are grateful for, and post it on the board. Enjoy reading all the notes!



Thank you for the cards, messages, and emails during my recent stay in the hospital. I'm home now and recovering nicely. I hope to see you all soon. It's wonderful to be part of such a loving and caring church family. – Reece Conner

A big thank you to everybody who prayed for my knee replacement surgery on Monday. Everything went great and I came home from the hospital that day and have already started PT. I hope to be back among your smiling faces in a few weeks. – Marshall Zieman

Sign Up for Tables for Eight by August 10. Register now for the Fall Session (September, October, November, and December). New participants (couples or singles) are welcome to join this fellowship opportunity as a "regular" or a "substitute." For the upcoming Fall Session, current "regular" members are automatically assigned to a new group and "substitutes" will remain on that list unless you notify Pam Otto. If you dropped out the last session and want to return as a regular or substitute, please contact Pam by phone or email.



Siena Francis House on Sunday, August 14. PCOC serves meals on the 2nd Sunday of each month, and we are looking for volunteers from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. Sign up on the church website!

"Fancy Fellowship" Hour on Sunday, August 21 at 11:00 a.m. Just because we want to. Just because we don't know when or for how long Fellowship Hall will be "off limits" for construction. It will be similar to a big music Sunday's enhanced coffee hours. Please bring treats to share — any kind! Congregational Life will serve beverages, and members can show off their baking, gardening, and creative skills while we all enjoy relaxed time together!

**Cornerstone Is Back!** The fall semester of Cornerstone begins September 14 and registration has begun. We'd love to see you at dinner, education, and choir on Wednesday evenings. Deadline to register is September 1. REGISTER ONLINE NOW!

SHF Car Wash on August 21. Drive by the north entrance after church on Sunday, August 21 and let the SHF clean your car. Make sure your car is nice and dirty! The youth will make it shine like the top of the Chrysler Building! Donations support next year's mission trip.



Volunteers Needed for the AllPlay Fall Season. The Fall Season runs August 13-September 17, and AllPlay needs 100+ Volunteers each game day to make the Miracle League the greatest experience for each player in every game. You can be a player buddy, greeter, concession worker, umpire, game announcer, or special event helper. Shifts are about 2 hours. Sign up on the church website!

**Sign Up for Camp Calvin Crest Work Projects.** The Presbyterian Men of PCOC will have a project workday at Camp Calvin Crest on Friday, August 26 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Projects will include installing a '9-Square in the Air' activity, rebuilding the railing on a small bridge, cleaning and painting propane tanks, and building a rolling stand for a large 4'x6' white board. We will carpool at 7:15 a.m. & have breakfast in the Dining Hall (paid for by Mission Committee). Sign up at the Information Desk. Wear your Mission T-Shirt. Questions? Contact Jon Boomgaarden.