

REID MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

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SOUNDING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

*Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.*

PRELUDE

*Trumpet Tune in G*

Jeremy Bankson

INTROIT

*Praise God*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

For God so loved the world; the sparrows and the mountain lions, the fish and the people.

**For God so loved the world; in success and failure, in sickness and health, in mediocrity and in the extraordinary.**

For God so loved the world; enough to become one of us, enough to suffer alongside us, enough to offer his life so that we might know new life.

**For God so loved the world; Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN 8

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

MELITA

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Casto-Waters

Merciful Lord, we come to you confessing that, most days, we want to be you. We want the answer key to all our big questions, we want the blueprints to the universe, we want the ability to unlock every mystery, we want the power you have at our fingertips. So, forgive us, Lord, for our hubris and our selfishness in the face of your provision. Remind us that knowledge without love becomes conceit, and power without mercy becomes tyranny. Help us embrace mystery and to be patient as you reveal yourself to us in your own time, Lord.

\*SILENT PRAYER

\*DECLARATION OF PARDON

God chose love. God chose the eternal "yes" to our salvation in Christ. Whoever believes in him shall not perish but receive life.

**In Jesus Christ we are accepted, we are loved, we are forgiven, we are told "yes, yes, yes." Thanks be to God!**

\*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT / Dimes for Dinner

Ms. Joy Maple

\*HYMN 286

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

TRENTHAM

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Ellsworth-Moran

SCRIPTURE READING

John 3:1-12

SERMON

ANTHEM

*Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Jill Jackson-Miller  
(1913—1995)

*Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.*

*Let there be peace on earth the peace that was meant to be.*

*With God our creator, children all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.*

*Let peace begin with me let this be the moment now.*

*With every step I take let this be my solemn vow.*

*To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.*

*Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.*

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND LABORS

Rev. Casto-Waters

OFFERTORY

*Improvisation on America, the Beautiful*

Charles Callahan  
(1951-2023)

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*Doxology*

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION<sup>1</sup>

God of the wild and the wonderful, we give these offerings in gratitude,  
**rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us.**

We give these offerings in faith,

**trusting that you will provide for our needs and through them, help us provide for the needs of others.**

We give these offerings in hope,

**knowing you can use them to increase the presence of your love in this world.**

And with these offerings we give ourselves;

**may we live with generous hearts, embracing arms, and open minds. Amen.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

Rev. Ellsworth-Moran

**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 at 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 275

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

EIN' FESTE BURG

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*The Lord Bless You*

POSTLUDE

*God of Our Fathers*

Mary McDonald  
(b. 1956)

\*All who are able please stand

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**Flowers**—The flowers are given to the glory of God, on this Memorial Day Sunday, by the Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church Veterans Group, in memory of all U.S. military personnel who gave their lives serving our country.

Please contact Mrs. Dianne Brown (706-799-8501) if you are interested in providing flowers for our worship services.

**Bulletin Cover**—The piece is by Henry Ossawa Tanner, *Study for Christ and Nicodemus on a Rooftop*, ca. 1923, oil on wood, Smithsonian American Art Museum.

<sup>1</sup> Adapted, Joanna Harader

# Participating in Worship



## *Preacher*

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

## *Worship Leaders*

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

Ms. Joy Maple

## *Musicians*

Mr. S.C. Toe

Dr. Wayne Lord

Chancel Choir

## *Guest Musicians*

Laura Tomlin

Daniel Allen

Angela Shaw

Justin Resley

## *Friendship Pad Pick-up*

Leslie Owen

## *Ushers*

Hubert Cooke

Bennett Yort

Donna Steiner

Ben Dusenbury

Jones Miller

Ed Moody, III

## STAFF

Reverend Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters, **Pastor, ext. 303**

Reverend Nadine Ellsworth-Moran, **Associate Pastor, ext. 301**

Reverend Boyd Lien, **Parish Associate, ext. 314**

Mr. S.C. Toe, **Director of Music, ext. 315**

Dr. Wayne Lord, **Associate Director of Music / Organist, ext. 310**

Mrs. Jenny Davison, **Children's Music Assistant**

Ms. Joy Maple, **Director of Christian Education, ext. 305**

Miss Makenzie Landrum, **Nursery Coordinator**

Miss Makenzie Landrum, **Interim Director of Children and Youth Ministries, ext. 304**

Mrs. Anna Sanders, **Director of Mother's Day Out and Preschool, ext. 309**

Mrs. Dawn McCraith, **Director of Operations, ext. 302**

Mrs. Becky Godbee, **Communications Liaison, ext. 300**

Mrs. Jenn Harrison, **Financial Assistant, ext. 307**

Mr. Leonard Jones, **Facilities Supervisor**

Ms. Helen Moss, **Custodian**

Ms. Denisha Nelson, **Custodian**

Mr. Tyler Cashin, **Audio/Visual Technician**

## SESSION (ELDERS)

Denise Rosenzweig, Clerk

### Class of 2024

Scott Allen

Julia Kay

Mary Lewis

Scott Monnig

Max Vallotton

Leila Stallworth

### Class of 2025

Bill Davison

Jennifer Frantom

David Freeman

Jean McKnight

Amanda Mills

Richard Morgan

### Class of 2026

Shell Berry

Indee Few

John Franklin

Seth Harbin

Jed Howington

Cheryl Wilson



## ACTIVE STEPHEN LEADERS

Myra Naglich

Mandy Boland

Jones Miller

## ACTIVE STEPHEN MINISTERS

Jamie Driver

Indee Few

Becky Godbee

Holly Harbin

Joy Maple

Kathryn McLeod

Barbara Miller

Ann Overstreet

Sonny Reece

Clay Stallworth

Carol Turner

Jenn Wilson

## BOARD OF DEACONS

Ross Tutor, Moderator

### Class of 2024

Lisa Curley

Annette Kennedy

Mary Linda Lamar

George McCall

Bobby McRae

Charlene Sizemore

Ross Tudor

Holly Harper Welsh

### Class of 2025

Linda Boyd

Hubert Cooke

Judy Brigham

Jan Markle

Carla Owens

Gail Owens

Harry Snowdy

### Class of 2026

Jamie Driver

Jerry Howington

Sumner Markwalter

Jones Miller

Mary-Meghan Olmo

Brannon Sell

Sandra Wade

Susan Wilson



**Hearing assistance.** Hearing aid wearers with a "T" (telecoil) setting can now hear the service broadcast directly through their hearing aids. Others desiring hearing assistance may check out a portable receiver / headset.