REID MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) September 29, 2024



SOUNDING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.

PRELUDE Jesus Loves Me Robert A. Hobby

(b. 1962)

INTROIT Praise Him, All Ye Little Children Carey Bonner (1859—1938)

*CALL TO WORSHIP Jack Mills

Loving God, you are the source of all good things, and in you we find life in all its abundance.

As we bring our voices in song and proclaim you are worthy of praise,

Lord, let our hearts be turned to you.

As we read from scripture and are reminded of your goodness in the past and present,

Lord, let our hearts be turned to you.

As we share thoughts and reflect on who you are and who we are in you,

Lord, let our hearts be turned to you.

As we enter moments of silence and give you space to speak to our hearts and minds,

Lord, let our hearts be turned to you.

As we pray and are aware that you are the God who hears us,

Lord, let our hearts be turned to you.

As we come together here, gathered as your children, and as we leave again to serve,

Lord, let our hearts be turned to you.

*HYMN 33 Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show LLANFAIR

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hadley Allgood

Loving God, we give you thanks for a world of wonder and surprise, with so much to discover, and so many joys to experience. We give you thanks for all the good that has happened this past week, for people who have shown kindness, for prayers which have been answered, and for those moments we have known your presence.

Forgiving God, we confess that we have thought too much about ourselves, and too little about Christ's gracious invitation to be his disciples. We have lived too much for ourselves, and too little for the sake of others. Have mercy on us, and upon all creation. Forgive us when we go the wrong way and help us to follow the way of our Lord with courage and hope. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*SILENT PRAYER

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

You are the God who loves us, who knows us and sees us in our good and bad moments, and still chooses to forgive us and reaches out to embrace us. So we say together,

Thank you, God.

You are the God who calls us into your adventure, who welcomes us into your plans and lets us see your vision of what could be. So we say together,

Thank you, 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. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Ms. Joy Maple

*HYMN 703 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me ST. CATHERINE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lien

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 8:27-37

SERMON

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND LABORS

Rev. Ellsworth-Moran

OFFERTORY

CHARITY

Richard Proulx (1937—2010)

*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

ANTHEM Eternal Life

Olive Dungan (1904—1997)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much see to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES'CREED

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 826

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

A Blessing

Martin Shaw (1875—1958)

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.

POSTLUDE

The Rejoicing from Water Music

George F. Handel

(1685 - 1759)

*All who are able please stand

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Preacher Rev. Boyd Lien

Worship Leaders Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran Ms. Joy Maple Jack Mills Hadley Allgood

Musicians

Dr. Wavne Lord Ms. Caroline Rhodes Chancel Choir Children's Choir Angel Choir

> Acolyte Henry Revell

Friendship Pad Pick-up Nancy McCord

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Elliott Woodward Ben Kay, IV Jennifer Pennington

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