

July 7, 2024

**Please stand if you are able.*

PRELUDE

Melody Raef

WELCOME

Betty Batkins

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come from the day-to-day busyness of our lives.

Congregation: We come with cares and worries, joys and celebrations.

Leader: Let us set it all aside and enter this time of worship.

Congregation: May our hearts and minds be open to what God might say to us this day.

All: Trusting always in the Spirit to meet us, let us gather to worship God!

***SONG OF PRAISE**

#473 For the Beauty of the Earth

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, we live in the tension of what we are called to be and our lived reality. We often fall short of the good we intend and our growing in the likeness of Christ is painfully slow at best. Forgive us, we pray. Offer us the peace that passes all understanding that we might be forgiven and begin anew. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE**

#579 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 and shall be, world without end. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Nikelle Johnson

COLLECTION FOR OPERATION: BLESSING

PRESBYTERIAN MINUTE

FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 *Pew Bible p. 243-244*

SECOND LESSON

Mark 6:1-13; *Pew Bible p. 817*

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON

Nikelle Johnson

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(adapted from Belonging to God: A First Catechism)*

We believe when Jesus spoke, he spoke with God's authority. When Jesus acted, he acted with God's power. Jesus amazed people with his deeds of power, but he was also gentle and loving. Even now, he cares

for us in all our needs as a shepherd cares for sheep. Jesus also called his disciples to follow him. Jesus fed the hungry, healed the sick, blessed children, befriended outcasts, required people to repent, and forgave their sins. He taught people not to fear, but to always trust in God. He preached the good news of God's love and gave everyone hope for new life. We live our lives in gratitude for the person and work of Jesus Christ. Amen.

***SONG OF RESPONSE**

#332 Live Into Hope

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, they 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.**

WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

#592 Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!***

