

July 4, 2021

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

*\*All may stand as able*

Liturgist: David Perry

#### Chiming of the Hour

#### Welcome and Announcements

David Perry

#### Invocation

#### Prelude

*Prelude on "Simple Gifts"* arr. J. Southbridge  
Early American Shaker Tune

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: When we seek justice for the other, when we love kindness more than ever

**People: we live as God asks us to live.**

Leader: When we walk humbly through life, when we offer mercy to those who hurt us,

**People: we are the blessing God hopes we will be.**

Leader: When we are willing to look foolish by following Jesus, when we choose weakness rather than power,

**People: we reflect the One who is in our midst.**

#### \* HYMN 305

*Come Sing, O Church in Joy!* DARWALL'S 148<sup>TH</sup>

### CONFESSING TO GOD

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Rev. Earl Goodwin

#### UNISON PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

**Creator of Compassion:**

**called to be one body,**

**we fragment ourselves into a million selfish pieces;  
your children of love,**

**we insist on the right to despise our sisters and brothers;  
though your Perfect Love was broken for us,**

**we are afraid to give of ourselves to the world.**

**Abide in us, Oh God.**

**Forgive us of our sins,**

**so we may live boldly,**

**love fearlessly,**

**and proclaim unceasingly that Jesus Christ**

**is our Lord and Savior.**

Silence is kept

#### KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy upon us,**

**Christ have mercy upon us,**

**Lord have mercy upon us.**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Do you feel it – there, deep down in your hearts? God's love is alive, beating, breathing – in you! Because God abides in us, we can live for others, allowing God's love to bear fruit in us. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

#### \*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.**

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE

### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

David Perry

#### SCRIPTURE READING

**John 15:1-17**

#### ANTHEM

*Love Divine, All Love's Excelling* John Zundel

Joe Carter, organ Kay Carter, piano arr. Marc Jordan

Love divine, all love's excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down;

Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love thou art.

Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Finish, then, thy new creation; true and spotless let us be.

Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee.

Changed from glory into glory, until in heaven we take our place;  
until we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

**Mark 12:28-30 & I John 4:18-21**

#### SERMON

*The Truth Be Told*

Rev. Earl Goodwin

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

#### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The 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.

#### OFFERTORY

*Meditation on "America"* arr. James Southbridge

#### \* DOXOLOGY

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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

David Perry

**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.**

## SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

**\*CLOSING HYMN 610** *O for a Thousand  
Tongues to Sing* AZMON

**CHARGE AND BLESSING** Rev. Earl Goodwin

**Postlude** *A Trumpet Fanfare* Gilbert M. Martin

### ***Welcome Rev. Earl Goodwin***

Earl Goodwin is an ordained Cumberland Presbyterian pastor who is part of the Robert Donnell Presbytery. He is employed by Shirley's Florist as a designer. He attends the Edgewood Presbyterian Church in Homewood when not filling pulpits. He knows quite a few members of this congregation (some know a little too much) and looks forward to making more friends.

### ***Prayer Concerns***

*for our church family . . .*

George McLean	John Holcomb	Margaret Linville
Wayne Hughins	Melissa Scholl	Jim Gillespie
Nellie Songer	John Giddens	Al Greenberg
Vernon Clark	Steve Mannich	Laura Reichert
Terri Clark		

*for our extended family . . .*

Grace Miller	Bill & Julie Wills	Garry Vincent
C. J. Fonte	Kennon Little	Donnie Bates
Clara Beach	Trent Schindler	Zoe
Jessica Watkins	Heather Odell	Fred Esleck
Mary Hammett	Margaret Stallings	Deborah Waldron
Janice Scholl	Debra Jackson	Mark Harmon
Rebecca Mueller	Jackson Hough	Ronnie Eades
George Fluke	Caitlin Lindsey	Cheryl Kelley
Lakelyn Claire Smith	Shirley Lafan	Jeff Hamrick
Shirlyn & Gary McKenzie	Derek & Lauren Webber	



## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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*Rev. Earl Goodwin, Guest Minister*

**Everyone is welcome in God's house.**

*"Jesus said, 'Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.*

*Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.'"*

*(Matthew 11:28-29)*

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