Trinity Presbyterian Church July 16, 2023 A.D. The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson - Pastor

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

P: maker of heaven and earth.

L: This is the day that the Lord has made,

P: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

L: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth,

P: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. Amen. (Psalms 124, 118, 100)

Call to Confession

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. Let us pray . . .

In Unison: Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Pastor: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven. Amen.

*Our Response What a Friend We have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn - O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing #466

The Morning Scripture Lesson: I Corinthians 2: 1-5;7-9

2 And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.

⁷ No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. ⁸ None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ However, as it is written:

"What no eye has seen,
what no ear has heard,
and what no human mind has conceived"—
the things God has prepared for those who love him—

Sermon: Transactional or Aspirational Faith

*Hymn - Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah #281

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn #592)

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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer *Sending forth and Benediction

*Choral response God be with You Till We Meet Again

God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Liturgist: Karin Thompson

Head Deacons: Karin Thompson & Deb Copper

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson Music Director: Pamela Carroll

The flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God in honor our daughter, Jeanette's birthday. Given by: Rev. Murray & Karin Thompson.

^{*}Thank you, Matthew Blom, for sharing your musical talents with us today.



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