A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost
October 9, 2022
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

**Bold type spoken by the congregation**

GATHERING . . .

The Prelude

Joyous Juliblue
Brian J. Heinlein

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

Make a Joyful Noise to God

The Call To Worship

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth. Sing the glory of God’s name!

Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!”

When in our music and in our study, we see God’s majesty,

The Spirit moves us to a more profound Alleluia!

The Prayer of Praise and Adoration

God majesty, the heavens are telling your glory; the firmament displays your handiwork. We praise you for the beauty of the earth, for the gift of music, and the capacity to grow in understanding and wisdom. For all the gifts of this life, we offer prayers of adoration and thanksgiving, now and forever. Amen.

*The Hymn

When in Our Music God is Glorified
Cathy Moklebust, arr.

Verse 1: When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride,
It is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!

Verse 2: Choir Only
So has the church in liturgy and song, In faith and love through centuries of wrong.
Borne witness to the truth in every tongue: Alleluia!

Verse 3: Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

*The Prayer of Confession

Della Hall, liturgist

God of compassion, we come before you to confess our sin. You fill the earth with beauty and joy; we mar it by our carelessness and greed. You have created the world to sing in rich harmonies; we sow discord. You have given us the law and commandments; we follow the devices and desires of our own hearts. Forgive us, we pray. Redirect us so that we may walk in your paths, honoring all you have made and delighting in your will. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon

As far as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God’s steadfast love toward those who fear God.

As far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us.

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*The 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

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. And also with you!

(Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ. For those worshiping at home, please share Christ’s peace with someone outside your home this week.)
Minute for Mission

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 29:1-4-7

The Psalter Lesson: Psalm 66:1-12

Litany of Dedication

The Anthem

He’s Got the Whole World with This is My Father’s World
Covenant Choir, Youth Ensemble, Adult Choir

Joel Raney

The Epistle Lesson: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

The Hymn 796

We Come to You for Healing, Lord
We come to you for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul,
and pray that by your Spirit’s touch we may again be whole.
As once you walked through ancient streets and reached toward those in pain,
we know you come among us still with power to heal again.
You touch us through physicians’ skills, through nurses’ gifts of care,
and through the love of faithful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
Through nights of pain and wakefulness, through days when strength runs low,
grant us your gift of patience, Lord, your calming peace to know.
We come to you, O loving Lord, in our distress and pain,
in trust that through our nights and days your grace will heal, sustain.


The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Luke’s Primer: Marked by Thanksgiving and Praise

Kim Clayton

*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.

The Prayers of the People

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.
TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD’S NAME . . .

*The Hymn 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God’s grace!
The name of Jesus charms our fears, and bids our sorrows cease,
sings music in the sinner’s ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
Christ speaks, and listening to his voice new life the dead receive;
The mournful waken to rejoice; the poor in heart believe.
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given by saints below
and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

*The Charge & Benediction

*The Postlude

Festival March

Please be seated in personal reflection until the Postlude ends.

Litany of Dedication for Musicians and Teachers and Youth Advisors
October 9, 2022

Liturgist 1: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

All: There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female, for we are all one in Christ. (Gal. 3:27-28)

Liturgist 2: We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humanity.

Today we celebrate and give thanks for the leaders in our music and educational ministries.

Choirs and Musicians:
We dedicate ourselves to offering glory to God and refreshment to our congregation through the gift of music.
We will attend rehearsals and prepare our hearts, minds, and voices to sing and make music pleasing to God.
We will honor our fellow choir members, supporting them and working together in harmony.
We will support the congregation as they lift their voices to God with us in the singing of hymns, psalms, and spiritual songs.
We accept this responsibility with joy and thanksgiving.

Teachers and Youth Advisors:
We dedicate ourselves to the ministry of education and formation.
We will study and plan lessons with integrity and care to help others learn and grow in faith.
We will listen, learning from all children, youth, and adults as together we grow in faith.
We will pray for one another and for all our members as we study God’s word, enjoying fellowship and fun.
Offering service to God through the life of the mind is part of our Reformed heritage and we accept this responsibility with joy and thanksgiving.

All: Holy God, bless our music leaders, teachers and youth advisors. Grant them the gifts of the Spirit as they lead us; the gifts of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
We give thanks for their dedication and we dedicate ourselves to worship, study, and fellowship as we grow in grace.
We will pray for one another, sharing your love with the community and your wider world. Amen.
Announcements for October 5 –October 12

Worship and Education Leadership Dedication Sunday

Martin Luther: “He who sings, prays twice.”
Johann Sebastian Bach: “The final aim of all music is nothing other than the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul.”
John Calvin: “True wisdom consists in two things: Knowledge of God and knowledge of self.”
Anne Lamott on why she makes her son, Sam, go to church: “The main reason is that I want to give him what I found in the world, which is to say a path and a little light to see by. Most of the people I know who have what I want—purpose, heart, balance, gratitude, joy—are people with a deep sense of spirituality. They are people in community, who pray or practice faith. ...They follow a brighter light than the glimmer of their own candle, they are part of something beautiful. ...When I was at the end of my rope, the people at St. Andrew Presbyterian tied a knot in it for me and helped me hang on. The church became my home in the old meaning of home—that it’s where when you show up, they have to let you in. They let me in. They even said, ‘You come back now.’”

This coming Sunday we will recognize members of our church who offer leadership in our music and educational ministries in a Litany of Dedication. This will be included in both worship services. The music and educational ministries here are both vibrant and vital—forming us in faith, adding beauty and meaning to our lives and our life together, and deepening our understanding and experience of the Holy One in our midst. I am so grateful and in awe of the volunteer spirit in this congregation and of the staff and lay leadership in these two areas in particular. It takes dedication to commit to the time and effort required. Everyone participating and leading is committed to offering glory and praise to God. Come Sunday as we say thank you to the children, youth, and adults involved in these areas of our common ministry; help us make a joyful noise to God!

Kim

Weekly Meetings & Activities

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Looking Ahead:

Oct. 22: Fall Festival at the Copley Farm
Nov: Sign up for Suppers for Seven

Church Family News:

Capsule of Concern: Doris Glidden, Doris Gulatsi, Lou Silvey

Condolences are extended to Mike and Carol Fariss and their daughter, Kristina Fariss Kritzer, on the death of Kristina’s husband, Scott Kritzer, who died on Saturday October 1, 2022. A memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary on October 29 at 3pm.

Congratulations to Michael and Sarah Mathias on the birth of their son, David Craig Mathias, who was born on October 1, 2022. Joe and Betsy Mathias are the grandparents.

Birthdays this week Oct 5– Oct 12

5. Barbara Howe
6. Chris Ellis
7. Sean Liverman, Sue Williams
9. Roy Jarnecke, Bob Deaderick, Abby Matako
10. Leonard Watson, John Statler, Kurt Chewning
11. Barbara Spangler

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, Oct 9
Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7, Psalm 66:1-12;
2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, Oct 16
Sunday Lunch!!

Sunday Lunch will continue this Sunday, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service. Come enjoy a provided lunch and fellowship. There is no cost; but donations will be accepted. No reservation needed, simply come as you are! Members and visitors are all welcome!

LIFT News

We have appreciated everyone’s involvement in our LIFT program so far this year, including our All Ages LIFT, our LIFT Classes, or our Children’s LIFT program. If you are looking for ways to continue engaging with the lessons and materials mentioned during our weekly LIFT hour, you can find take home resources on our website. Follow this link to download different take-home resources for you and your loved ones to explore together at home during the week.

https://fredericksburgpc.org/resource-page

The Flawed Family of God class will not be meeting this Sunday October 9. We will see you next week, Sunday October 16.

Faith and Movies Class - On October 9, the Faith and Movies Class will discuss Dead Poets Society (1989). This movie is available from Amazon for rental or purchase.

LIFT classes - Click the link here for the list of classes or check the website. We hope you can join us.

The “Being Reformed” Class is our hybrid LIFT class. You can participate in this class in person in the conference room, or you can tune in via zoom. The zoom link is on our website or click on the following link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88141244845

Come Join us for the Fall Festival

It’s time to gather at the Copley’s Farm for the Fall Festival. Bring a dish to share, a blanket or chair, and be ready for fellowship, horses, hay rides, and fun. Hot dogs, s’mores, and drinks will be provided. Festivities will begin at 4:00 p.m., October 22. The farm is located at 63 Springfield Lane.

New and long-time visitors are invited to attend the upcoming New Member Class to learn more about our Presbyterian heritage and beliefs and more about this congregation in particular. Classes will be held during the LIFT time (9:45 a.m.) in the Middle House on the second floor. Meeting Dates will be: October 30, Nov. 6 and 13. Those who wish to join will be received by the Session into membership on Nov. 13th and welcomed during the worship service on Nov. 20. Interim Pastor Kim Clayton will teach this class. For more information or to register, call 540-373-7057 or email office@fredericksburgpc.org

Upcoming Community Outreach Volunteer and Hands-on Mission opportunities:

1. Our Church will be supporting the Micah Cold Weather Shelter (CWS) this winter as we have done in the past. Volunteers will be needed to support one day per month for approximately a 2-3 hour period of time.

2. Our Church will host a Micah CWS "hospitality space" on Saturday mornings for approximately 90 mins during the Winter months. Volunteers will be needed to open the Fellowship Hall, prepare coffee, and monitor our guests.

3. Our Church has agreed to assist Micah by providing yard upkeep for a Micah house in Fredericksburg. This would consist of brush and shrub trim work along with clearing out and removing excessive grass, weeds, and vine growth approximately once per month. Any of our Fellowship or other groups are welcome and encouraged to use this opportunity as a social and service event. More detailed information will be provided soon. Please prayerfully consider being involved in some Hands-on Ministry.

Covenant Choir and Youth Ensemble will sing at both the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, October 9.

Brownies, bagged 2 to a bag, are needed for the Community Dinner on Saturday, October 15. If you would like to donate brownies and/or help at the dinner please contact Karen Johnson, (540) 621-5685, ksjohnson422@msn.com.

NEW MISSION PROJECT

The Presbyterian Women will be taking up knitting this year. Experienced knitters, as well as beginners, are invited to join us in the Undercroft after lunch on October 23. We will be making simple scarves and prayer shawls. Each woman needs to bring the following materials: two #9 needles and Lions brand Homestyle yarn (any color). Come, knit, and learn together in fellowship as we work on our new service project.