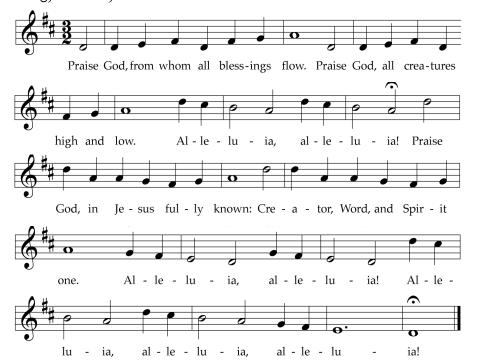
*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication



Litany for Fathers

Your Son Jesus called you "Abba – Father" and we are grateful that all our families have their beginning in you. Through the love of earthly fathers, you give us a glimpse of your everlasting love.

We recognize the gift and responsibilities of fatherhood and offer prayers of gratitude and hope.

We give thanks for fathers who strive to balance the demands of work and family with both joy and sacrifice.

We thank you for the wonderful men who taught us about love with compassion, duty through commitment, and joy through playing on fields, beaches, and in the backyard.

We thank You for those fathers who by their own account were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support.

We also give thanks for those fathers who, despite divorce, have remained in their children's lives and for those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has offered healing.

We thank you for those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earn their step-children's love and respect.

And we ask your special blessing on those fathers who have lost a child to death, and who continue to hold those children in their hearts.

We also give thanks for those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own. We pray for those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides

We ask your blessings on those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children.

And we continue to pray for those fathers who have died, but live on in our memories and whose love contin

May the love of our earthly fathers draw us ever nearer to you and perfect in us the image of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



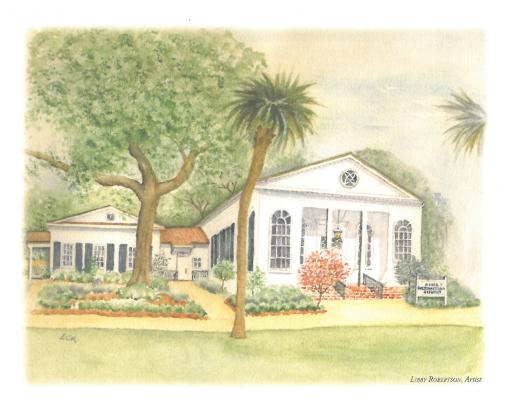
*Benediction

* Benediction Response

*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers



A Service for the Worship of God June 18, 2023 10:00 AM



To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and need comfort,
To all who are lonely and need friendship,
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide its doors
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.

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Choral Introit

*Welcome & Call to Worship - From Psalm 116:1-5, 19 ... Elder Geneva Baxley I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, save my life!"

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!



Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you have called us into a life of service lived in the presence of your son, Jesus, our savior. Forgive both our failings to live into our high calling and our fears that we are not worthy to serve. Grant us faith that we may see that our service is not dependent upon our righteousness but upon your own righteousness through the power of the Holy Spirit. (Let us continue in prayer silently)

Congregational Response

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace. Amen.

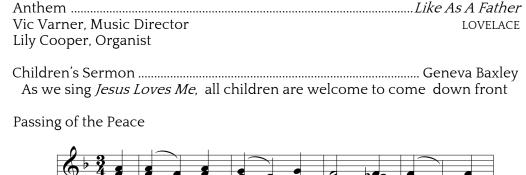
Assurance of Pardon - from Romans 5:6-8

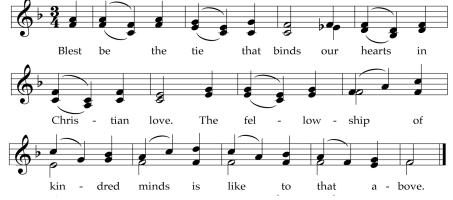
"For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly...God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us."

This is the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*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.





 Gospel Lesson Matthew 9:35-10:23

Sermon Judas Iscariot, My Mission Partner
Dr. Rob Blumer

*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.

Pastoral Prayer 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