ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Summer 2017

July 30, 2017 10:30 a.m.

* Stand if you are able

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Musical Prelude

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CALLED TO WORSHIP

* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Be still!

All: We come to guiet ourselves in this haven of holiness.

One: Be still and know ...

All: We come to discern the Word which can set us free.

One: Be still and know that God is

All: Our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.

Gathering Hymn: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" (N.B.P. #407)

Prayer of Adoration:

Prayer of Confession (in unison):

Lord, spare me from the comfort that would sedate me,

from the certainty that would dull me,

from the beauty that would blind me to injustice,

from the peace that would hide the world's grief from me,

from the security that would frighten me from the edge of you.

Grant me the blessing to be unfinished, discomforted, unknowing,

to be homesick in this world for the one within it,

to ache for your little ones,

to grieve with the Beloved,

to be powerless for your grace,

to empty myself into your heart.

Lord, spare me from my wishes, that I may be free for you.

Spare me from my little self, that I may be my divine self.

Spare me from my life, that, dying, I may become yours. Amen.

(Steve Garnaas-Holmes)

Assurance of Pardon:

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Choir Anthem:

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MINISTER: Rev. Mikal Schomburg ORGANIST: Mr. Ian Madge

We are confident in the forgiveness of sin,

the power of resurrection and the reality of eternal life.

In all things it is our desire to follow Christ,

by the grace of the Holy Spirit, for God's glory.

Amen. (Steve Garnaas-Holmes)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory

* Doxology (N.B.P. #79)

<u>Prayer of Dedication</u> (responsive):

ONE: We long for the time when the meek shall inherit the earth and all who hunger and thirst after justice shall be satisfied, and we believe that, despite the persistence of evil, now is always the time when more good can be done and we can make a difference.

ALL: May it be so, through the offering of these gifts and the offering of our lives. Amen.

(Prayer for Justice and Peace, Iona)

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer

SENDING		
* Parting Hymn: "How Great Thou Art"	(N.B.P. #332)	
* Benediction:		
* "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"	(N.B.P. #619)	
* Exit of the Word	Musical Postlude	