

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Presbyterians Sharing Sunday

September 24, 2017

10:30 a.m.

* *Stand if you are able*

Bold: Said by all

All hymns, scriptures and congregational prayers are projected.

Musical Prelude

CALLED TO WORSHIP

* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

Gathering Hymn: *"Sing A New Song Unto The Lord"*

(N.B.P. #422)

Prayer of Adoration:

Prayer of Confession (in unison):

Giver of all good gifts,

we confess that our own generosity is limited.

We give, but often reluctantly.

We shrink from costly discipleship, preferring cheap grace.

Forgive our fleeting enthusiasm and our shallow commitment.

Guide us in your way of joyful giving,

a way embodied by Christ, who freely gave himself for us,

and in whose name we pray.

Amen.

Petition: *"Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying"*

(N.B.P. #449, v. 1)

Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon:

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Choir Anthem: *"Help Us To Be Like Them"*

(N. Price/D. Besig)

Prayer for Illumination (in unison):

Your thoughts are not our thoughts, and your ways are not our ways. As we hear the scriptures, guide us by your word and Spirit, transforming our hearts and minds so that our thoughts and our ways more clearly reflect your own. Amen.

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MINISTER: Rev. Mikal Schomburg

ORGANIST: Mr. Ian Madge

Scriptures: Jonah 3:10-4:11

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Children's Hymn: "All People That On Earth Do Dwell"

(N.B.P. #65)

Children's Time:

(children Grade 9 & under leave for Sunday School)

Scriptures: Psalm 145:1-8 (responsive); Matthew 20:1-16

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON:

Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response: "The Clay-Stained Hands Of Love"

(N.B.P. #296)

Declaration of Faith (in unison): Living Faith 8.4.1-8.4.3

(projected)

**God is always calling the church
to seek that justice in the world
which reflects the divine righteousness
revealed in the Bible.**

**God's justice is seen
when we deal fairly with each other
and strive to change customs and practices
that oppress and enslave others.**

**Justice involves protecting the rights of others.
It protests against everything that destroys human dignity.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory

* Doxology

(N.B.P. #79)

Prayer of Dedication:

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER: Noella C.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

(projected)

SENDING

* Parting Hymn: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

(N.B.P. #675)

* Benediction:

* "Go Now in Peace"

* Exit of the Word

Musical Postlude

Welcome to Worship at St. Paul's. May you experience the enlivening presence of God as you gather with God's family to celebrate God's amazing grace. We extend a special welcome to anyone who is worshiping with us for the first time today. Please record your presence by signing the guest register in the lobby (library area) to the east side of the sanctuary. Large print bulletins, and headphones are available from our ushers.