MORNING WORSHIP SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024

ORDER OF PUBLIC WORSHIP

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." —Romans 1:16 ESV

PRELUDE "Variations on 'Come, Holy Spirit'"

WELCOME

Dr. David Coleman, organ Maurice Duruflé

Elder John Wingate

Elder David Conner

The Chancel Choir

Psalm 146

SESSIONAL UPDATE

CHORAL INTROIT

"Praise the LORD! My Soul, O Praise Him!"

* CALL TO PUBLIC WORSHIP

Psalm 46:1-4

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

Leader: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

People: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

Rev. Todd Matocha

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION & 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.

* HYMN 288 (TPH)

"We Come, O Christ, to You"

CONFESSION OF SIN

from Psalter with Complete Church Practice, Martin Bucer, 1539

Almighty, eternal, merciful God and Father, we poor sinners confess that we have sinned in many ways against you and your commandments. We confess that we have not believed in you, our one God and Father, but have put our faith and trust more in creatures than in you, our God and Creator; we confess that we have erected idols in our hearts, and bowed down to them; we confess that we have misused your name, that we have sworn falsely by it, and have not professed it or kept it holy as we ought; we confess that we have not kept the Sabbath holy, nor have we rejoiced in the work of six days but have grumbled against your day and been negligent in our work.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 32:1-2, 5

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. I acknowledged my sin to you and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

OFFERTORY

"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"

The Chancel Choir arr. Lloyd Larson

Rev. Matocha

DARWALL

Rev. Griffin

Rev. David Griffin

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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.

* DOXOLOGY

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. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children (3-K) leave for Extended Learning Time during the first stanza of the hymn. Extended Learning Time is located downstairs in the Blue Room at the end of the children's hallway. Parents are welcome to guide their children to Extended Learning Time if desired. Please pick up your children directly after the service in the classroom on the children's hallway.)

* HYMN 394 (TPH)

"Eternal Spirit, God of Truth"

SERMON TEXT

Matthew 7:21-23 (Pew Bible p. 812)

SERMON

"False Hope"

Rev. Griffin

Elder Wingate

FOREST GREEN

Rev. Matocha

Rev. Griffin

* BENEDICTION

Rev. Matocha

* 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.

POSTLUDE

"Come, Holy Spirit, Our Hearts Inspire"

Dr. Coleman, organ Maurice Duruflé

RED PARAMENTS: The color of the paraments change throughout the church year to reflect the spiritual season in which we find ourselves. Liturgical colors can orient us to the season and help us to engage the sense of sight in worship.

Red is the parament color for Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost takes place on the 50th day (the seventh Sunday) after Easter Sunday, and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the followers of Jesus as described in Acts 2. The color red communicates the strength and power the Holy Spirit gives in order for God's people to call on the name of Jesus Christ and to share that powerful name with others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONNECTION CARDS: As part of our Shepherding Ministry, we make use of worship sign-in forms, called Connection Cards. Please pass the pad found near the center aisle down the pew for everyone to fill out and then return it to the inner aisle once it is completed.

AS WE CONTINUE to strive toward even more reverent worship services, we respectfully ask that entering and exiting the Sanctuary during the service be kept to a minimum, especially through the doors at front of the Sanctuary.

HENDON

THERE WILL BE A DIACONATE MEETING on Monday, May 20, at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED: Each year during the summer, we give the first through fifth grade Sunday School teachers a break and ask that church members volunteer to serve. There is one teaching and one helping spot available for each class. Lessons are provided for volunteers. It would be great to have husband and wife teams sign up, youth and parent teams, or just anyone willing to teach or serve! You may sign up using the link in the weekly email or contact Rebekah Harkins.

WE WILL HAVE COMBINED ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES in the Fellowship Hall beginning next Sunday, May 26 through the end of July.

LET'S PARTY! Ann Huckabee will be celebrating her 100th birthday on Monday, May 27 and you're invited to help her celebrate! There will be a birthday party on Monday, May 27, from 2:00-4:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Attendees are welcome to share any stories about Ann from over the years. If you have any questions, contact Terry Chandler (864-909-3971).

WE WILL SPONSOR ANOTHER BLOOD DRIVE on Thursday, May 30 from 2:00-7:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Donors and refreshment table volunteers are needed. To be a donor, sign up with Vicki Marsh on Sundays before or after church or go to redcrossblood.org and search "Greenville ARP Church".

We Come, O Christ, to You



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Thomas Cotterill, 1810; alt.

FOREST GREEN C.M.D. Traditional English melody Arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground



Ralph Wardlaw, 1817; mod.

HENDON 7.7.7.7.rep. Henri A. César Malan, 1827