



FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 31, 2022

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

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ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Holy God, you are vaster than galaxies billions of light years away and closer than the air that fills our lungs. Creator, you know what is best for us and steadfastly provide it. Even as we steadfastly cling to the ways of this world, your Word made flesh redeems us, and your Holy Spirit summons us to be transformed and to embrace your way so your kingdom may be fully realized on earth, as it already is in heaven. Amen.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Charles Callahan

Meditation on "In Christ There Is No East or West"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us, who have been raised with Christ, set our hearts on things above, not on earthly things.

We give thanks to God, who has redeemed us, whose love endures forever.

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts and the message of Christ dwell among us richly.

We sing praise to God, who has gathered us from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.

Let us, who are being renewed in the image of our Creator, put on compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and forgiveness.

We put on the virtues of Christ, and over them all, we put on love, which binds them all together in perfect harmony.

*HYMN OF PRAISE – No. 317 “In Christ There Is No East or West”

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close-binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith; whate’er your race may be. All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet south and north. All Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

(Please be seated.)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Carter Paine, Son of Jeremy and Jenn Paine

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

God of light, we confess that we live in the shadows of hypocrisy and self-righteousness. We honor you with our lips, but we have not served you in our hearts. We are satisfied with human traditions and norms and avoid your liberating truth. We have confused meekness with weakness, holiness with social conformity, and anger with righteousness. Forgive us, we pray. By the power of your word save us from the prison of our conceit so that we may serve you with sincere hearts.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON†

*GLORIA PATRI – NO. 581

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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from Philippians 2:5-11

Disciples are those who seek to have the same mind as was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death

on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Nic Luter

*All children are invited to come to the Chancel steps.
Afterward, young children may remain or proceed to the nursery.
Worship bags are available beside the entrance to the Sanctuary.*

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION[†]

FIRST READING

Colossians 3:1-11

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING

Luke 11:37-44

When Jesus had finished speaking, a Pharisee invited him to eat with him; so he went in and reclined at the table. But the Pharisee was surprised when he noticed that Jesus did not first wash before the meal.

Then the Lord said to him, "Now then, you Pharisees clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside you are full of greed and wickedness. You foolish people! Did not the one who made the

outside make the inside also? But now as for what is inside you—be generous to the poor, and everything will be clean for you.

“Woe to you Pharisees, because you give God a tenth of your mint, rue and all other kinds of garden herbs, but you neglect justice and the love of God. You should have practiced the latter without leaving the former undone.

“Woe to you Pharisees, because you love the most important seats in the synagogues and respectful greetings in the marketplaces.

“Woe to you, because you are like unmarked graves, which people walk over without knowing it.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

SERMON

“Like Unmarked Graves”

Rev. Rebecca Luter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please remember those on our prayer list.

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.

RESPOND TO GOD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Be Thou My Vision”

Irish Folk Melody

Becky Hutchins and Sandy Hilliard

*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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, you are the giver of all good. Accept our offerings of thanksgiving and our lives, that through them

justice may be done and loving kindness shown. Grant that we may walk humbly with you. Amen.

*HYMN No. 432

Verses 1, 2, & 4

“How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord”

How clear is our vocation, Lord, when once we heed your call to live according to your word and daily learn, refreshed, restored, that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.

But if, forgetful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear; if worldly pressures fray the mind and love itself cannot unwind its tangled skein of care: our inward life repair.

In what you give us, Lord, to do, together or alone, in old routines or ventures new, may we not cease to look to you: the cross you hung upon, all you endeavored, done.

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH HYMN No. 741

Verses 1 & 2

“Guide My Feet”

Guide my feet while I run this race; guide my feet while I run this race; guide my feet while I run this race, for I don’t want to run this race in vain!

Search my heart while I run this race; search my heart while I run this race; search my heart while I run this face, for I don’t want to run this race in vain!

*POSTLUDE Fugue in F Minor

J.S. Bach

*Stand as able.

Bold Type – congregation in unison

†from Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion, edited by Kimberly Bracken Long, Westminster John Knox Press, 2013.

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AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES
IMPLICITLY AGREE THAT THEY, AND
ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING
THEM, MAY BE ON CAMERA.

Participating in the service today:

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor
Doug Barr, Director of Christian Education
Jim Thrash, Director of Music
Tom Bryant, Accompanist
Chris Luter, Liturgist
Nic Luter, Children's Moment
Jinney Hart and John Hazen, Ushers
Delilah Davis, Acolyte
Chancel Choir
Becky Hutchins and Sandy Hilliard

Welcome IN THE NAME OF JESUS, THE CHRIST

We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find here a place that feels like home. We are grateful for the visitors and friends of the Farmington family who add to our community each week.

Curious to know what church membership means? Wonder why a person would want to join or how a person joins? Our pastor, Rev. Rebecca Luter, would love to talk with you. You may reach her by email at rluter@farmingtonpres.org or by phone in the church office, 901-754-2794. She'll answer questions you may have about Farmington or Presbyterianism and walk you through meeting our leadership and making your spot in our family official. Just let us know if this feels like the right step for you, or if you are curious to learn more.

Need more information? Want to sign up for something? Looking for the livestream of worship? Go to our website: www.farmingtonpres.org

Need to give us information? Want to ask a question? Looking for assistance with signing up? Email us at: church@farmingtonpres.org

Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

Join us for Fellowship Coffee immediately following the service in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments provided by Paula Patterson. Sign up to host Fellowship Coffee on our website to provide refreshments following worship, www.farmingtonpres.org Please keep it simple-something sweet and something salty.

Children's Sunday School is on Summer Break! Mark your calendars for Blessing of the Backpacks on August 7th during worship and our Fall

Kickoff Weekend August 13-14! We will have a pool party on the 13th and return to Sunday School on the 14th.

No Youth Fellowship. We will meet again in August.

Back to School Shopping We will be blessing backpacks and school supplies next Sunday, August 7th. We are blessed to be a blessing, so as you shop, consider picking up extra supplies for the Children in the Inn (children who are living in the Family Inn of Room in the Inn as their parents gain stability to provide a home for their family). You can find their Amazon Wishlist on our website, or bring items for donation to the collection box at the West entrance or to church on August 7th.

Flowers for Worship It is a time-honored tradition to give flowers to grace the Sanctuary in honor or memory of our loved ones. The cost for the flowers is \$60. The Flower Calendar is located on our website and is posted on the bulletin board near Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Night Dinner Scott and Becky Hutchins (Firehutch Fine Foods) will continue catering to-go orders for dinner to be picked up on Wednesday evenings at the church between 5:00-5:30pm. They are donating 10% back to Farmington. If you would like to order, please contact them at hutchinsathome@gmail.com.

Bulletin Mailing List While we were all worshipping on YouTube Premier, we sent a bulletin weekly to every household. If you are returning to worship in the Sanctuary and would like to be removed from the weekly mailing, please email us at church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

Communications from the Church If you do not get the Happenings email each week and would like to, please email and let us know. We also send text reminders about upcoming Farmington events. You can get those by texting “@farmpres” to “81010.”

Gathered to Worship...Sent to Serve In response to God’s blessings and to support what God is doing through the Farmington family, you can make your offering through the website, using a checking account, or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

This week at Farmington...a terrific time was had by all at the Redbirds game! Our next fellowship event is a pool party on Saturday, August 13th at the Luter’s house. We will grill burgers and hotdogs. Everyone is invited to bring a dish to share and their lawn chair.

Remember in Prayer...Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Jack Arendt, Bruce Bennett, Bill Brown, Renee Canter, Martha Carr, Ralph Carr, Jelena Colasurdo, Mary Lou Collins, Jamecka Donley, Bill Dyer,

Dewayne Hannis, Bill Harrington, Aaron Hazen, Juanice Hooker, Vanessa Howard, Gary Hutchins, Louise Jacobson, Julia Lively, Sue Odom, Meredith Oest, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Cooper Patterson, Bob Pointer, Bill Renfrow, Jonathan Riley, Jack Scherer, JoAnne Simpkins, Patti Simpkins, Mary Elizabeth Simpson, Marty Steele, Williams Stevens, Susan St. John, Joan Wallace, Jim Waller, Frank Whited, Faye Woods, and from our Presbytery: Young Adult Volunteers and Liberation Community Church, Memphis, TN.

Sympathies... to the family and friends of Bonnie Abraham-Mikami, friend of Kirsten King and to the family and friends of Jean Wiseman.

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