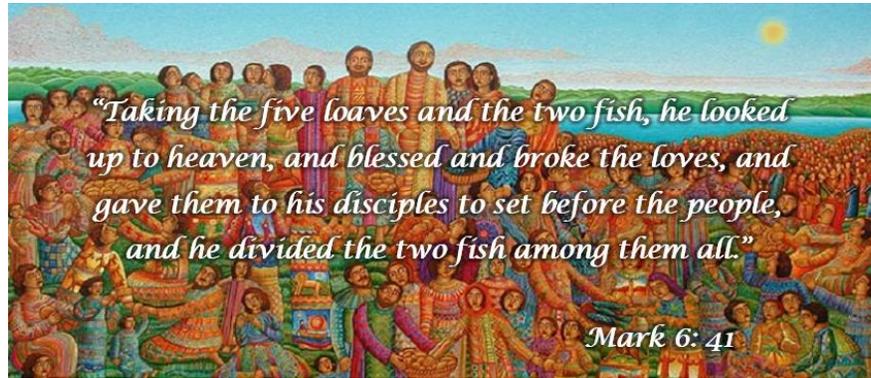


SUNDAY BULLETIN



SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 STEWARDSHIP, FIRST SUNDAY GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE & PROCESSION

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Angie

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Rev. Angie

MUSICAL CONTEMPLATION *"Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated"* H. A. C. Malan / M. Ham

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Angie / Liturgist

Liturgist: We come to worship a generous and loving God.

Minister: We will praise the Lord as long as we have breath.

ALL: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Minister: Our hope is in our Lord, our God.

Liturgist: We give thanks for the gift of all of God's creation.

ALL: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Liturgist: We give thanks for God's help in times of need.

Minister: We give thanks for God's mercy in times of trouble.

Liturgist: We know that God is with us always.

ALL: We gather in worship today to praise the Lord, and to give thanks to God for 150 years of mission, ministry, and faithfulness. Thanks be to God!

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Angie

OPENING HYMN (green insert) *"O God, Our Help in Ages Past!"* by Isaac Watts

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Angie

Gracious God, you are the giver of every good and perfect gift. You give us our talents, our freedom, and our financial resources. We struggle to give back to you from these gifts. We often worry that these gifts are not enough; that we must hold onto them for ourselves and for our family. Remind us again that you have blessed us to be a blessing to others, and free us for more generous living. Forgive us, O God, for all our sins, as we continue to pray in silence...

(Moment of contemplative confession.)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AT THE FONT

***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.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Minister: May the Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Greet one another with a wave of Christ's peace.

PEACE RESPONSE HYMN #406 *We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are
angels all around; let us praise Jesus now; we are standing
in his presence on holy ground.*

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12: 1-3, 17: 1-9

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 6: 6-13, 30-44

SERMON

"Where Have We Been?"

Rev. Angie

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Liturgist

We believe in one God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. We proclaim Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen One, confessing him as Lord to the glory of God the Father. In the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, We acclaim Jesus as the Lord of the church, the Head over all things, the beginning of a new creation. We acknowledge that we live and work between the time of Christ's death and resurrection and the final consummation of all things which he will bring.

We are a pilgrim people, always on the way towards the promised goal; on the way, Christ feeds us with word and sacrament, and we have the gift of the Spirit in order that we may not lose the way. Together with all the people of God, we serve the world for which Christ died, and we await with hope the day of the Lord Jesus.

PASTORAL PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Angie

...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.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Liturgist

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

Liturgist

***CLOSING HYMN #307** *"God of Grace and God of Glory"*

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

Rev. Angie / Liturgist

Leader: Where has First Presbyterian Church, Plano been?

People: God planted us where our buildings have been to worship, to love, to serve, and to follow Christ in mission.

Leader: We have had ups and downs, challenges, and joys...

People: And God has kept God's covenantal promises to us, and called us to remain faithful to our promises to God, each other, and our community.

Leader: What now?

People: As we go forth today, may we set our minds on the ways of God, and, like Abram, follow the voice of God, taking risks to be faithful.

Leader: And with the share in the eternal covenant that God has given us,

People: May we give and share with gratitude for the glory of God. Amen!

***BENEDICTION**

***SEVEN-FOLD AMEN**

POSTLUDE

"Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" H. A. C. Malan / J. Pethel

Participants in worship:

Rev. Angie Mabry

Kurt Thomas – Liturgist/Cantor

Marcy Lasseter – Organist/Pianist

Greeter – Ted McKown

Richard Klein, David Buyze – A/V

Richard Klein, Sherri Godsey – Editing