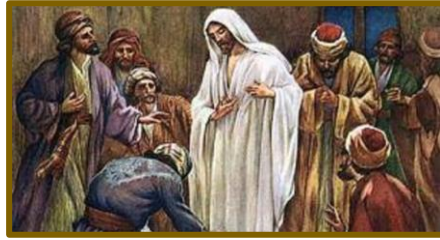


SUNDAY BULLETIN



**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
SEPTEMBER 18, 2022
150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

PRELUDE & PROCESSION *"God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian"* played twice

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

GREETING/PROCLAMATION FROM GRACE PRESBYTERY

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Callender

MUSICAL CONTEMPLATION *"Morning Prayer"*

J. Jongen

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: We gather in the presence of God,

ALL: and we do not gather alone.

Pastor: With the angels in the highest heaven,

ALL: we gather to worship the Lord.

Liturgist: With Abram and Sarai,

ALL: we gather to worship the Lord.

Pastor: With the saints of every age,

ALL: we gather to worship the Lord, and may God's holy name be praised!

***OPENING PRAYER**

***OPENING HYMN #475** *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you love us so much that you invite us to a life of transformation. You call us to live outside ourselves, and to follow you more faithfully with each day that passes. We confess to you that we often fail to grow closer to you, to one another, and to people you place in our paths. We ask your forgiveness as we pray in silence.

(moment of contemplative confession)

Leader: Beckoning God, you blessed Abram and Sarai to be a blessing to generations. Risen Jesus, you commissioned your people to go and make disciples.

People: Please help us to humble ourselves to the point where we are willing to be transformed for you, and renew our desire to follow you faithfully, no matter where you lead. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

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**

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

People: And also with you.

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

***PEACE RESPONSE HYMN #647 (sing only once) "Give Thanks"**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "We are strong." Let the poor say,
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us! Give thanks. Give thanks."**

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12: 1- 9

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28: 16-20

CHORAL ANTHEM

150th Anniversary Celebration Choir

"Rejoice and Sing a Hymn of Praise" by Dale Wood

Commissioned by the late Director of Music, Jeff DeLuc, and the Chancel Choir of First Presbyterian Church, Plano, Texas, celebrating the dedication of the Casavant Organ, Easter Sunday, 1985. Dedicated to the memory of William "Bill" Dorsett.

SERMON

"Blessed to Be a Blessing"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

LITANY OF THANKS FOR 150 YEARS OF MINISTRY

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Callender

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERTORY

"Upon This Rock" by Jay Althouse

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**

CLOSING HYMN #331 *"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"*

***COMMISSION AND BLESSING**

Leader: As people of faith we have gathered for worship.

People: As people of faith we go out into God's mission field, also known as the world.

Leader: We go out to share the story of faith, the story of life, the story of God's work accomplished through First Presbyterian Church, Plano for the past 150 years

People: We share these stories and our gratitude for God's work in word and deed, in speech and action.

Leader: As we go out to give a living witness, as we go out to testify to God's active love in the world,

People: We go knowing that God goes with us, sharing our fears and tears, and our laughter and hope. Thanks be to God! Amen.

PRAYER FOR LUNCH *(Special thanks to the estate of William "Bill" Dorsett
for providing lunch for us today.)*

***BENEDICTION**

***SEVEN-FOLD AMEN**

***POSTLUDE** *"Fanfare and Trumpet Tune; Ask Ye What Great Things I Know;
Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"* H. A. C. Malan,
F. J. Haydn / H. Jordan

**Please stand as you are able.*

Participants in worship:

Occasional Supply: Rev. Angie Mabry

Richard Klein, David Buyze – A/V

Liturgist – Rev. Wendy McConney

Richard Klein, Sherri Godsey – Editing/

Cantor – Kurt Thomas

Live-Stream Slides

Marcy Lasseter – Pianist/Organist

Ushers/Greeters – Zach Echols, Greg McGrath, Ted McKown, Butch Pease



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