

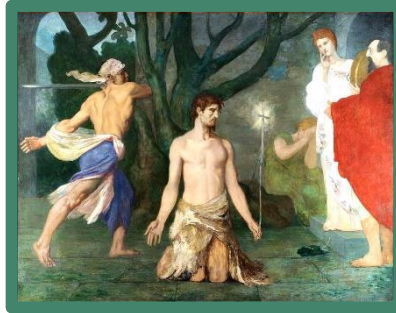


Clothing Body
and Soul

The Clothing Church

First Presbyterian Church, Plano, TX

SUNDAY BULLETIN



SERVICE FOR THE LORDS DAY

JULY 14, 2024

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*This * means please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE & PROCESSION

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

H. V. Gerike

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

MUSICAL CONTEMPLATION:

"Jesus, the Very Thought of You"

S. B. Owens

***CALL TO WORSHIP Please stand**

Leader: God calls,

People: God gathers,

Leader: God challenges,

People: God moves,

Leader: God liberates,

People: God saves.

All: Guide us and our lives, O Holy One, so all creation might flourish.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pease be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Please Stand

***OPENING HYMN #182**

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Pease be seated

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Holy God, we belittle ourselves in the face of overwhelming problems. We tell ourselves we are powerless to create positive change. We tell ourselves peace is impossible as we invest billions in weapons of war. We refuse new ideas, new solutions, new voices. We are stuck – trapped! – in our comfortable ways. Forgive our reluctance, God. Forgive our ignorance. Forgive our excuse-making. Turn us to all that is possible through you. Amen.

(moment of silent confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Great is God's faithfulness! With God there is forgiveness and great power to redeem.

People: God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning.

Leader: God has turned our mourning to dancing, forgiving us fully and freely.

People: Our souls will not be silent. As forgiven people, we will praise the Lord!

Please Stand

*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 sign of peace.

*PEACE RESPONSE HYMN #172 (no repeats) "Blest Are They"

"Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you!

Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the Kingdom of God!"

Please be seated

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING (Old Testament)

Amos 7:7-15

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING (Gospel)

Mark 6:14-29

SERMON

"Show and Tell"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Please rise

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

ALL: 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 Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose 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 quick 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor: God of heaven and earth, in these days of scorching summer sun and the occasional cool evening breeze; of terrorizing wars and vacations at the beach; of discouraging national news and fun church celebrations; we live lives of contradictions. We notice the disparities. We feel you tugging at our hearts to heed Christ's call of discipleship, of care, of service, and of delighting in blessings bestowed.

On this Sabbath day, we pause to pray for those who are suffering, those who are close and known to us as well as those who live in faraway foreign lands. In your mercy, God, hear our prayers for:

- Those seeking to survive enduring violence in Ukraine, Gaza, and Sudan.

People: Lord God, have mercy.

- Those seeking a home to call their own, a place of safety and refuge.

People: Lord God, send resources to those most in need.

- Those seeking escape from record heat waves, tropical storms and natural disasters.

People: Lord God, provide relief, comfort and restoration.

- Those seeking a cure for disease or the easing of physical pain.

People: Lord God, send healing.

- Those seeking relief from endless waves of grief.

People: Lord God, grant comfort and peace to their souls.

- Those seeking spiritual peace to cool the anger burning within them.

People: Lord God, calm the storms raging within.

- Those seeking healing from mental or physical illness.

People: Lord God, use us to provide a healing touch and comfort.

God, we know we are not powerless. We recognize the power we hold to make this world more just, more equitable, more right. Equip us, teacher, with the wisdom to know what is best, and the courage to do what is right. Now, as the Body of Christ, hear us as we pray the prayer our Savior taught us,

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.

Please rise

***CLOSING HYMN #307**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

***CHARGE**

***BLESSING**

***SEVEN-FOLD AMEN**

***POSTLUDE**

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

J. Engel

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