

The Service for the Lord's Day
14th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m

August 29, 2021

Prelude

Toccata in D Minor

Johan Froeberger

Welcome

ADORATION

Call to Worship

We gather to worship in the presence of God,

All: as if we stood on God's holy hill.

We gather to worship as children of God,

All: as if we were standing in the waters of grace.

We gather to worship the living God,

All: for God is here among us!

Hymn 619

Praise, My Soul the God of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

CONFESSION

Call to Confession

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet we are justified by the gift of God's grace through the redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you tell us, who may abide in your presence, who may dwell on your holy hill: those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and who speak the truth from their heart. Yet, we confess that we do not walk blamelessly. So often we stumble on the path of faith. The truth makes us nervous, and we pretend we do not know what is right. Have mercy on us O God. Convict us by your wisdom, cleanse us by your grace, challenge us by your presence, and by your forgiveness, free us to try again we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith. Hear and believe the Good News that comes through God:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Hymn 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

PROCLAMATION

Time with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

As we prepare to hear God's word for us today, let us first be joined in prayer. Let us pray...

Testify to us, O God, by the voice of your Spirit. Put your law in our hearts, write your word in our minds, and show your will in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

Scripture Readings

James 1:1-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

Hymn 618

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

Deo Gracias

Affirmation of Faith

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 Spirit, 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.

Community Life and Offering

Let us offer our gifts and service to God. Let us pray...

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness that has created us, your grace that has sustained us, your discipline that has corrected us, your patience that has born with us, and your love that has redeemed us. We dedicate all of the gifts we have received from you, back to you, as we delight to do your will by serving you, and our neighbors. Amen

Special Music

Isabel Srour on cello

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion Liturgy Continues...

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.

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

You may have your bread and juice with you, pre-prepared, and may serve others nearby and serve yourself saying, “the bread of life” for the bread and “the cup of salvation” for the cup. For those seated in the pews you may remove your mask to take the elements.

Prayer After Communion

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 62

Love the Lord Your God

GREAT COMMANDMENT

Benediction

Postlude

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M. Hilaron Eslava

We extend the prayers of the congregation to Allan Kamara, on the death of his brother, Ephriam Kamara, in Montreal, Canada.

We celebrate the following birthdays:

8/29 - Bob Mecklenburg

8/30 - Abigail Singerling

8/31 - Ann Hill

9/1 - Cole Devinney

9/2 - Tara Kubasik

9/3 - Christopher Wallace

If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at admin@potomacpresbyterian.org.

We continue to keep in our prayers: *Members of the Armed Forces and their families; Ruth Andrew*, mother of Tom Andrew; *Cody Coco*, nephew of Penny Boyd; *Marye Cotton; Teresa Cox*, sister of David Boyd; *Elliot Friedman*, husband of Betsey Rudnic Friedman; *Naomi & Bob Gerwin*, sister and brother-in-law of Marcia Boogaard; *Dave Gorman*, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; *the Hartzog family; Velma Killion; Gloria Leber; Arianna McFeaters; Bill Malone; Sally O'Neal; Karen Ruan; Nettie Propps; Kent & Kaden Renolds*, son and grandson of Nelda Coligan; *Cam Sanders*, nephew of Marcia Boogaard; and *Millie Rowan*.

Cards may be sent to Bill Malone in care of his daughter, Elizabeth Burger, 17 Hawthorne Lane, New Canaan, CT 06840.

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Pastor Emily at emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org or call the church office at 301-299-6007.

Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks, unless otherwise requested.