

Covenant

Presbyterian Church

Athens, Georgia

October 17, 2021

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

10:00am Worship Service

Liturgical color: green

21th Sunday after Pentecost



PREPARATION

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr., Carol Tornquist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100:1, 2,5

One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come, into God's presence with singing!

All: For the Lord is a gracious God,

Whose mercy is everlasting;

And whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

ONE: Come let us worship God.

HYMN 31(GTG)
(stanzas 1,2&3))

“Let Us With a Gladsome Mind”

Milton/Antes

INVITATION OF CONFESSION

I John 1: 8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But when we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Job 36: 1-7, 16-17

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

Prayers of the People

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10: 35-45

PROCLAMATION

“One Mind—Elbowing Our Way to the Top”

Glenn Doak

MUSICAL REFLECTION 471(GTG) *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

TAIZE

RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philippians 2: 5-12

Christ Jesus, 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 should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

HYMN 272 (GTG)

“The Servant Song”

Gillard/Pulkingham

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE 410(GTG)
(stanzas 1-3)

God is Calling Through the Whisper

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MORE THAN FOUR QUARTET: Rich Reaves, Linda Rogers, Kathryn Fowler, Jim Anderson and Betsy Burmeister (accompanist)

CHURCH STAFF

Glenn Doak, Bridge Pastor

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