

RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

New life in Christ takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are.

They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Hannah Barnett, Lily Herndon, and Lila McMaster

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE, *including Concerns & Celebrations*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY 606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH

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 THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 300 "We Are One in the Spirit" Peter Scholtes

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN 600 "Amen" AMEN

*POSTLUDE

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PIANIST: Pam Knox

ADULT CHOIR

* denotes standing as able.

LITURGIST: Luanne Rigsby



May 15, 2022

Covenant at Worship

Liturgical Color: White 5th Sunday after Easter 10:00am Worship

GATHER IN GOD’S PRESENCE

PREPARATION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord, all the earth!
Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise the Lord in the heights.
Praise the name of the Lord, and the Lord’s glory shall be praised,
for people near and people far,
for people present and people to come,
for the young and for those wise with age.
Come, let us praise the Lord;
come, let us worship God!

*HYMN 14 “For the Beauty of the Earth” DIX

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you command us to love one another,
yet we hold grudges and refuse to work for peace.
You command us to care for all of creation, yet we neglect the earth
and abuse nature through carelessness.
You command us to walk in the ways of Jesus, yet we too often walk
our own way.
Forgive us, O God. Guide us as we work toward a new heaven here on
earth.
Lead us to reconciliation and a vision for your beloved community,
as we share your love with your people everywhere. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*HYMN 582 “GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME” Vasile
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose
grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 148

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 11: 1-18

PROCLAMATION Dana Waters

*HYMN 754 “Help Us Accept Each Other” BARONITA

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2022 High School Graduates

Hannah Barnett will graduate from Clarke Central HS, in the top 5% of her class. Hannah is one of 20 seniors who made all A's across all 4 years of high school. She will attend Brandeis University this fall in Boston and play for their women's soccer team. She has received the Presidential Scholarship, \$15,000 each year. She will major in business.

Lily Herndon is graduating from Madison County High School. Lily is an honor graduate this year and was involved in anchor club all 4 years and president her senior year. She was also involved in a student leadership club the past 3 years. She enjoys hanging out with friends, art and travel. She will be attending the University of North Georgia in Dahlonega next year and pursuing a degree in nursing.

Lila McMaster is graduating from Monsignor Donovan Catholic High School. She will graduate #3 in her class as an honor graduate. Lila will earn the AP Capstone Diploma for her AP coursework. While in high school, Lila has enjoyed performing in The Georgia Children's Chorus, participating in the Literary One Act Play, serving in various student government roles, and serving as a student ambassador. Lila will attend Agnes Scott College in the Fall with plans to major in Neuroscience and minor in Gender Studies.



*Please join us in the fellowship hall after worship for
High School Graduate Reception!*