PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, we thank you for setting a table before us and for calling disciples from every place to feast together. We praise you for love that binds and for faith that makes us brothers and sisters. We glorify you for your Spirit at work, building one holy church in the world to serve Jesus Christ, our Lord and Living Savior. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #438

"Blest Be the Tie that Binds" (The Presbyterian Hymnal)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



To Our Visitors

We welcome you to worship today. If you are visiting with us please feel free to speak to the pastor or one of our greeters if you have questions or want more information about Bethpage.

Bethpage is a church committed to children and families and their needs. We have a nursery for infants through three-year-olds and Kids of the Kingdom for four-year-olds – Kindergarten. There are activity sheets and children's Bibles for older children. Feel free to keep your child with you in worship through the Time With Children if that works for your family. Our new nursery caregiver is Stephanie Pritchard. Stephanie will text you if your child needs you during worship.



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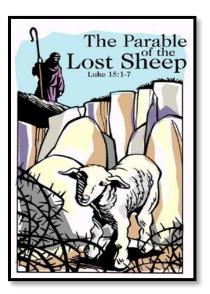
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"A family of faith in Jesus Christ, yesterday, today, and tomorrow."

> June 2, 2024 10:00 AM



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come near, my friends, for Christ is here.

We will trust in the love of God that is ours this day.

Give thanks to the Lord, who is our refuge and strength.

God's love endures forever!

OPENING MUSIC #2272 "Holy Ground" (sing two times, Sing the Faith Hymnal)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 100 (<u>Pew Bible</u>, p. 552)

HYMN #442

"The Church's One Foundation" (verses 1, 4, & 5, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

People: That's how it is.

Unison: O God, our redeemer, that's how it is with our lives. We seek the power of your Spirit, that we may live in fuller union with you and all of your creation. Be with us that we may gain the courage to love and to act in your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The good news is that God enables us to move from how it is to how it can be.

The Spirit empowers us to have the vision and the courage to change.

Friends, In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM

"Breath of God"

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 25:6-8 (Pew Bible, p. 652)

RESPONSE HYMN

"Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken"

(sing two times)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 15:1-7 (<u>Pew Bible</u>, p. 78)

SERMON "A Table for All" Valerie Hicks

THE PEOPLE RESPOND

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING and OUR 10¢-A-MEAL OFFERING

Offertory

Doxology (sung)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

We offer ourselves with our gifts, confident that You have a purpose for them and for us. Expand our limited vision to embrace new possibilities. May we be the Church You are calling us to be. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Come to the Table"

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE