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All members of the congregation

The Celebration of Worship Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 17, 2018

10:30 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.

Large print hymnals, Bibles, hearing devices,
and information about child care are available from any usher.

If your hearing aid has a button for telephone use, turn it on now
to receive sound directly to your hearing aid.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.

Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand in body or in spirit.



We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protect you! May he send you help from the sanctuary, and give you support from Zion. May he remember all your offerings, and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices. May he grant you your heart's desire, and fulfill all your plans. May we shout for joy over your victory, and in the name of our God set up our banners. May the Lord fulfill all your petitions. Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with mighty victories by his right hand. Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses, but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God. They will collapse and fall, but we shall rise and stand upright. Give victory to the king, O Lord; answer us when we call.

Psalm 20

PRELUDE

Faith of Our Fathers
Paula Legge, organ

Mercy Bartlett

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PRAISE

By Faith

Stuart Townend



By faith we see the hand of God in the light of cre-a-tion's grandde-sign, in the
By faith the pro-phets saw a day when the longed-for Mes-si-ah would ap-pear with the
By faith this moun-tain shall be moved and the power of the gos-pel shall pre-vail for we



lives of those who prove His faith-ful-ness, who walk by faith and not by sight.
power to break the chains of sin and death and rise tri-um-phant from the grave.
know in Christ all things are pos-si-ble for all who call up-on His name. (Refrain)



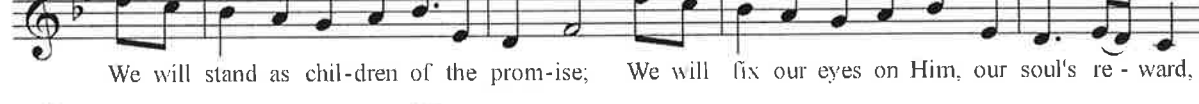
By faith our fa-thers roamed the earth with the power of His pro-mise in their hearts of a
By faith the church was called to go in the power of the Spi-rit to the lost, to de-



ho-ly cit-y built by God's own hand, a place where peace and jus-tice reign.
li-ver cap-tives and to preach Good News in eve-ry cor-ner of the earth.



We will stand as chil-dren of the prom-ise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's re-ward,



till the race is fin-ish-ed and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.



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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Bill McCoy

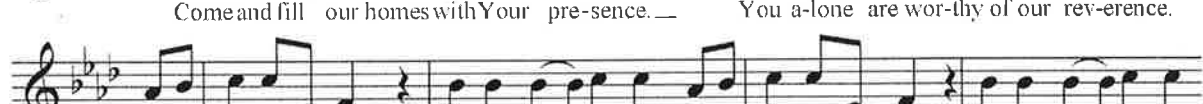
*RESPONSE

The Family Prayer Song

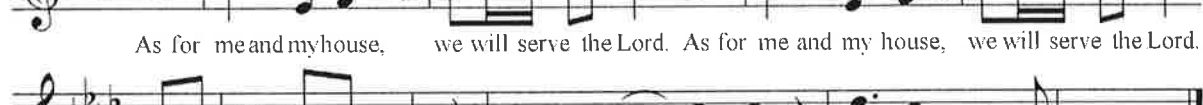
Morris Chapman



Come and fill our homes with Your pre-sence. — You a-lone are wor-thy of our rev-erence.



As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.



As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. We will serve the Lord.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

GINNA TAYLOR

Ever constant Lord, we forget to thank You daily for the steadfast love You provide all of Your children. Deliver us from believing that Your love is meant for us alone, that somehow we are more deserving than others. Forgive us for limiting Your love, we pray, and open us to the movement and mystery of the Holy Spirit.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so we may greet each other by name.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Mary Jean Davis

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*HYMN 451

Open My Eyes, That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Ginna Taylor

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 Ghost, 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.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 581

*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.*

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bill McCoy

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.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

Hymn of Promise

Natalie Sleeth

*Doxology

*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 DEDICATION

Ginna Taylor

Lord, we thank You that You call us to see people as You see them, through Your eyes of mercy and understanding. Receive all that we bring, O God, and by Your blessing, enrich the ministries that we do in the name of Christ. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

ANTHEM

Deep River

arr. Andy Beck

*Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over to campground.
O don't you want to go to that gospel feast, that promised land where everything is such sweet peace?
Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over to campground.*

Carole Carter, soloist

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 17:22-24; Pew Bible, OT, p. 784

GINNA TAYLOR

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:6-10; 14-17; Pew Bible, NT, p. 181

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:23-32; Pew Bible, NT, p. 25

BILL MCCOY

SERMON

The Open Bible

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*CONCLUDING HYMN 321

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION

BILL MCCOY

*HYMN OF PARTING

HYMN 541

*God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.*

*POSTLUDE

An Irish Blessing
Paula Legge, organ

Brian Glyncannon

We gather to worship,
We scatter to serve,
In the relentless love of Christ.

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: *In worship leadership last Sunday:* We thank Bekah Grishaber and Ruth Odin for serving as acolytes
: during worship June 10.
: *Restrooms and water fountains* are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel; please
: accompany children.
: *Childcare:* Nursery and Rooms 112 and 114
: *Elder visitation:* Jeff Harlow, Amanda Hughes, Jennelle Jones
: *The flowers in the sanctuary today* remind us that Vic and Nancy Burkhammer have made a contribution
: to the Hunger Fund for the glory of God and in loving memory of Nancy's father, Lawrence I. Miller and
: her grandfather, A. Price Johnson.
: *Greeters today:* Sara Joseph, Naomi Krieg, Bob & Mary Ann Schacht
: *We are thankful* for the generous gifts given to the Christian Education Gift Fund.
: PLEASE FEEL FREE TO KEEP THIS BULLETIN OR DROP IT IN THE RECYCLING BOX AS YOU EXIT. THANK YOU!
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