

GATHERING FOR THE WORD

Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

* Please stand as you are able Plain text = Leader **Bold text = People**

PRELUDE *Battle Hymn of the Republic Introductory Fanfare* Roy Ringwall
Arr. Carols Staszkeski

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand) Elder

God is the One in whom we “live and move and have our being”

God calls to us and invites us into new life.

Even now God is calling, saying “Come and worship, come and worship”.

With God’s help we will worship with joy and love.

Let us worship God.

* HYMN *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!* No. 142

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL Elder

Let us pray,

Most gracious God sometimes we really want to impress you, to convince you that we are strong and in control of our lives. “Lord did you see what I just did? Did you hear my wonderful prayer? Are you paying attention to all of my good works?” And then we hear the Psalmist saying that what you really want is a “broken spirit and a contrite heart.” Forgive us when we try to convince you how good we are and when we try to impress you and others. Help us to turn to you acknowledging our weakness and our need. Teach us to depend upon you. We pray in Jesus’ name.

(A time for silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE The Rev. Dr. Dwight R. Blackstock
Amen. “The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon those who fear him.” The good news is that, God is faithful and just, forgiving all who confess our need. Friends, “In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.” Amen.

* SUNG RESPONSE (Please stand as desired) *Glory to God, Whose...* (see insert)

1. *Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, 2. World without end, without end. A-men. and to the Son, whose grace has par-doned me, World without end, without end. A-men. and to the Spir-it, whose love has set me free. World without end, without end. A-men. As it was in the be-gin-ning, As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be. A-men. is now and ev-er shall be. A-men.*

HEARING THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING II Kings 5:1-14 Pgs. 340-341
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Deacon

SPECIAL MUSIC *My America* Joyce Eilers
featuring *My Country ‘Tis of Thee* Samuel Smith
WPC Choir members

TIME WITH CHILDREN *(As the children come forward, please join in singing.)*
This, this is where children belong, part of our family, part of our song.
Be with us, pray with us, help us grow strong, this is where children belong.

SERMON *Arm Wrestling with God*
Dwight Blackstock

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Please Stand) The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional)
Front of Hymnal Pg. 14

* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER Front of Hymnal Pg. 16
(Pray, “Forgive us our sins...”)

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY *God, Bless America* Irving Berlin

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING *Praise God from ...* Tune: All Creatures of Our God and King
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Al-le-lu-ia, (2x)
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Cre-a-tor, Word, and Spirit one. Al-le-lu-ia, (5x)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Dwight Blackstock

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Dwight Blackstock

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Serving Communion

Bread is taken individually. Juice/wine is taken together; red wine is in outer ring of tray, white grape juice is in the inner ring of tray.

Prayer after Communion

* HYMN

Near to the Heart of God

No. 527

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

* SUNG CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *May the Lord Go with You*

***May the Lord go with you as you leave this place,
May the Lord go with you as you celebrate his grace.
May you be surrounded by His love unbounded,
May the Lord go with you as you leave this place.***

POSTLUDE

God Bless the U.S.A

Lee Greenwood

Please come through to Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.

Pulpit Elder: Jim Niquette

Deacon Reader: Lori Golightly

Greeter: Lori Golightly

Ushers: Kerry Gardner & Chuck Miller

Sound Engineer: Jim Niquette

Time with Children: Roxanne Foster

Communion Servers: Bob Brown, Brenda Cavanaugh, Eleanor Fowler, Betty

Niquette

Flowers: Lori Golightly

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***To worship God through faith and action,
to nurture the spirit of Jesus Christ in each of us,
to be an extended family to all,
and to serve the community
through programs, education and prayer***

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