

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fayetteville First UMC

3rd Sunday after Pentecost June 13, 2021

GREETING

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION Great is Thy Faithfulness arr. Joel Raney

Mr. Justin Maxey, Director of Music & Organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS The Rev. Allyson Lawrence

Associate Minister

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 92:1-4 Rev. Lawrence and People

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP All That Hath Life and Breath, Praise Ye The Lord! René Clausen

*Hymn 132 All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded MICHAEL

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed Rev. Lawrence and People

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*universal UMH 881



*Gloria Patri meineke

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.

*Passing of the Peace

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love: "The peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

All Things Bright and Beautiful

John Rutter

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, Each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colours, He made their tiny wings.

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brightens up the sky;
The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one.

He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell How great is God Almighty, Who has made all things well.

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

*Doxology OLD 100th

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 Illumination

Rev. Lawrence and People

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

*SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 4:26-34 Rev. Lawrence

²⁶He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

³⁰He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Unrevealed Until Its Season Dr. Martin

*Hymn of Promise PROMISE

*BENEDICTION Dr. Martin

May the peace of Christ go with you wherever he may send you.

May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.

May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.

Postlude Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee arr. Joel Raney

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please exit by the chancel only.

Place bulletin in recycling bin or take it with you.

Offerings will be received by the chancel as you exit.

Please remember in your prayers:

Marlene AmosAnne FreeDoris KerlinVan AskewMargaret GraingerLurlene PerryAnnelle BurchMartha HaleClaudia RhodesJoe ByersTangie HubbardNancy RicciardiRichard ClaytonCindy JenningsMabel Wilbanks

Brad Wilkinson



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