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Sunday, June 4, 2023

Simpsonville Presbyterian Church
Simpsonville, SC

"Growing Together in Faith - Loving and Serving in the World"

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 4, 2023

Trinity Sunday

Welcome, announcements

Joys and Concerns

Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch will be out of the office from Sunday, May 14th through Sunday, June 4th. Please note that the wearing of masks during service and singing hymns is optional. NOTE: This service may be video recorded.

Please stand if you are able where asterisk.

PRELUDE "Be Still My Soul" arr. Howlett

*OUR CALL TO WORSHIP Jackie Koch, Liturgist

Leader: Let us praise God the Creator,

People: who is filled with glory and power—with holiness and splendor;

Leader: Let us worship God the Savior,

People: who is filled with love and compassion—with justice and peace;

Leader: Let us experience God the Spirit,

People: who fills us with faith and joy—with love and eternal life.

All: Let us worship together!

OPENING HYMN: #580 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

Triune God, within our own life there is mutuality, equality, and unity in diversity. Though we are made in your image, we confess that we distort the triune life. Instead of seeking mutual welfare and the common good, we seek our own gain. Instead of living in equality, justice, and respect, we construct systems that are unjust. We devise ways to elevate ourselves over others, and disrespectful thoughts, words, and actions still surface in us. We allow differences to divide us and lead to

THANK YOU: Thank you all for the thoughts, prayers, cards, food, and transportation during my recovery period. It meant so much to Lawrence and to me. My recovery is proceeding as expected (in other words, too slow from my point of view!). I understand that recovery will take 8-10 weeks, so I will need to rest, stay active, not lift anything heavy, and so on until mid-July. I will be back in the office beginning June 6 for my regular Tuesday office hours and back in the pulpit June 11 to begin a sermon series on the "I AM" statements of Jesus.

Grace, peace, and much love,

Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch

LEGACY MEETING: The Legacy team will meet tomorrow, June 5th, at 1:30 p.m. at the Church. All are welcome.

MAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER: Thank you to Candie & Joe Vaitkevicius for hosting the May fellowship dinner at their home. Great food and fellowship was enjoyed by all who attended.

Coming Next Sunday: Rev. Mary Anne is back!

Scripture: Psalm 78:25-29/John 6:35-51

Sermon: "I AM the Bread of Life"

We welcome to our pulpit today The Rev. Pressley Neal Cox. Pressley serves as the Associate for Shared Mission and Ministry in Foothills Presbyterian. She is a graduate of Presbyterian College (BA in Religion/Christian Education), Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary (Master of Arts in Religious Education) and Columbia Theological Seminary (Masters of Divinity). Prior to coming to Foothills, Pressley served as Pastor for Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Simpsonville, SC. She has also served congregations in York, SC and Charlotte, NC. Pressley is married to Ben and they have three high schoolers.

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK: Allan & Teresa Castleberry, Kitty Shealy

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Sharon Flesch (06/06)

LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch; Jean Kirkland, Kitty Shealy, Sue Marshall's mother, Everett (sister of Donnett); Michael Kolmer (Sue Marshall's brother); Bob Marshall (Bill Marshall (PA)'s father; the May family; Debbie Ramsdell (sister-in-law of Ronnie); Hector & Susan Medina; Scott Hatfield (son-in-law of Candie & Joe); Candie's cousin Greg; Dan Mills (brother of Barb Daugherty—Missionary to Papua New Guinea); Dixie Suit (sister-in-law of Kitty Shealy); Helen Guthrie; the Grooms family; The Bell family; Roger Edney (relative of Barb & Roger Daugherty). Do not hesitate to call or email the Church Office (office@simpsonvillepres.com) about any pastoral concerns.

SCHEDULES AND EVENTS

FOOD PANTRY: Your continued prayers and giving hearts allow us to keep this mission to our neighbors going. Suggestions for the month of June are spaghetti sauce and noodles. As always, we are grateful for all donations.

VIDEO RECORDINGS: Video recordings of services that have been previously recorded are available on the Church's website: www.firstpresssimpsonville.com. Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right."

brokenness. Holy God, forgive us. Restore in us, and in our life together, the divine image you intend. Make us tender in mutuality. Make us generous in equality. Make us grateful in diversity. We pray to be one with you and one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, we are still standing in the grace of Christ. Because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, we are set free to love God and neighbor, and to work for reconciliation in the world.

People: We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE: "Lord, Send a Revival" (chorus)

*Lord, send a revival; Lord, send a revival;
Lord, send a revival; And let it begin with me.*

HYMNS #132 "Come, Great God of All the Ages"

SILENT PRAYER: A few moments of silent communication with God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 28:16-20/2 Corinthians 13:11-13

SERMON: "The Power of Three" Rev. Pressley Cox

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have

no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer:
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,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF OFFERING AND PRAYER (the offering plate is located on a back table in the sanctuary just inside the back double doors.)

OFFERTORY "Open My Eyes That I May See" Soloist: Jimmy Cheeks
arr. Iverson

*The Doxology

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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!

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

THE SHARING OF THE MEAL

As the trays are passed please serve your neighbor with the words, "The Body and blood of Christ, given for you."

The Communion wafer is not gluten free. It is our tradition to take the bread individually and to hold the wine to drink together.

***CLOSING HYMN #139 "Come, Thou Almighty King"**

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE: **"The Lord Bless and Keep You"**

The Lord bless and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine on you
And be gracious, gracious.

The Lord bless and keep you,
The Lord lift his countenance on you
And give peace, give you peace.

Amen, Amen.

POSTLUDE "We Believe in One True God" Winksworth

WELCOME TO SIMPSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN! Whether you are a long-time member or first time visitor, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about the Simpsonville Presbyterian community, we invite you to contact us through our website www.simpsonvillepres.com, or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS AND REFRESHMENTS today are given by Linda Stenhouse. Thank you.

BIBLE STORY BAGS are available for children during worship. See an usher if you would like one for your child to use. Please return the bag to an usher after worship.