

Grace Presbyterian Church

4 September 2022

9:30 a.m.

Ordinary Time, Proper 18

*Rooted in Christ, We Gather in Spirit.
Welcome to Worship!
The Lord's Supper Celebrated*



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We Gather

PRELUDE

Vince DiMura

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

In the shadow of resurrection,

we will live out our faith.

In the crumbs of broken bread,

we will proclaim Christ is risen.

In the wine of the supper,

we will trust the promise of grace.

In the community at the empty tomb,

we will believe what the world does not.

In the gravestone now rolled away,

we will break out in the joy of resurrection.

Come, let us worship.

HYMN*

What Is This Place

No. 404

OPENING PRAYER²

We are your witnesses, O God,
that, in you, suffering and death
do not have the final word.

Praise be to you, for the dawning of this new day; a
day when gentleness rules over might, Spirit makes a
way for true community, and love always wins. This is
the day you have given us.

We will rejoice and be glad in it. Amen.

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION³

When we are quick to judge the doubts of others and are not welcoming of their questions,

forgive us, God.

When we are timid to speak out against injustice, **forgive us, God.**

When we wait for proof instead of claiming your peace, **forgive us, God.**

When we shut ourselves off from the world, and hide behind walls of fear,

forgive us, God.

Forgive us and strengthen us, O God.

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION⁴

The God of resurrection is our cornerstone, the foundation of our strength and hope.

Let us rise and be the people of God.

Let us rise and be a living testimony of the way of Christ. Let us rise and join in the Spirit's song of living.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Called to be one in Christ Jesus, we are made to love one another in unity and grace.

Peace be with you!

And also with you.

We Reflect

A TIME FOR CHILDREN & THE YOUNG AT HEART

and the glory, forever. Amen.

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STATEMENT: BECOMING CHURCH- BEING BOLD IN FAITH

We proclaim:

God has not finished with the world.

We believe:

God loves the world and longs for it to be reborn.

In the good news of resurrection:

we will work with God.

We proclaim:

God has not turned a back on the hungry.

We believe:

God longs for fields of wheat to be shared among us all.

In the good news of resurrection:

we will share with God.

We proclaim:

God has not finished with peace.

We believe:

God longs for peacemakers to rise and make peace once more.

In the good news of resurrection:

we will be peacemakers with God.

We proclaim:

God has not left the homeless without shelter.

We believe:

God longs for all to be gathered in and welcomed.

In the good news of resurrection:

we will welcome the stranger with God.

We proclaim:

God has not forgotten the poor.

We believe:

God longs for the rich and the poor to live more equally.

In the good news of resurrection:

we will change things with God.

We proclaim:

God has not completed the task.

We believe:

God longs for the reign of love to be born.

In the good news of resurrection:

We will be kin-dom builders with God.

OUR GIFTS OF SACRIFICE and THANKSGIVING

Invitation⁶

We live in the wonderful reality of God's promise. We live in the joyous hope of God's new day. Let us give thanks to God as we share our gifts and make an offering.

Thanks to all those whose gifts and offerings have sustained the church. You can give online by visiting the church website.

Musical Meditation Vince DiMura

Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow No. 607*

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

*Prayer of Dedication*7*

We offer these gifts to you, gracious God,
That they may serve your purposes in the world. And
we offer ourselves as witnesses to your love. In our
daily living, help us witness in Christ's name and on
Christ's behalf. Amen.

WE ARE NOURISHED

The Lord's Supper Celebrated

The Invitation

The Hymn of Welcome #314 vs 3 refrain sung twice

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

The Breaking - The Pouring - The Sharing

We Are Sent

CLOSING HYMN*

BENEDICTION*

Go forth to take part in the story of God's love. Go with courage, uplifted by the example of those who have gone before and vitalized by the mystery and possibility that lies ahead. And may God continue to bless and keep you. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

****Indicates please stand in body and/or in spirit.***

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