

The Order for the Worship of God

The 11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2017

Ten o'clock a.m.

The Service of Preparation

Silent Preparation

*Oh the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable are
his ways!*

*"For who has known the mind of the Lord,
Or who has been his counselor?"*

*"Or who has given a gift to him
That he might be repaid?"*

*For from him and through him and to him are all things. To
him be glory forever. Amen.*

Romans 11:33-36

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

The Prelude

✦ The Call to Worship (from Psalm 138)

Leader: We give you thanks, O Lord, with our whole heart.
We bow down and give thanks for your steadfast
love and your faithfulness.

**People: You have exalted above all things your name and
your word. On the day we called, you answered
us and our strength of soul increased.**

Leader: All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O
Lord, and they shall sing of your ways, for great is
the glory of the Lord. Come, let us worship our
God!

✦ The Hymn of Dedication..... No. 479
Onward Christian Soldiers (vv. 1, 3, 4)

The Prayers of Adoration and Thanksgiving

Leader: We praise you, God, for you are gracious. You
have loved us from the beginning of time and
remember us when we are in trouble.

People: Your mercy endures forever.

Leader: We praise you, God, for you came to us in Jesus
Christ, who redeemed the world and saved us
from our sins.

People: Your mercy endures forever.

Leader: We praise you, God, for you send us your Holy
Spirit, to make us holy and to lead us into all truth.

People: Your mercy endures forever. Amen.

The Prayers of Silent Confession and Repentance

The Assurance of Forgiveness

✦ The Gloria Patri No. 622
*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.*

The Response to God's Work in Our Lives

The Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

✦ Doxology No. 625
*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.*

✦ The Prayer of Dedication

The Hymn of Meditation..... No. 247
Spirit of the Living God

The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Ministry of the Word

The Scripture Reading Romans 11:1-6, 29-36
(pp. 946-47 in pew bible)

Special Music

The Sermon "What About the Old Testaments?" Rev. King

✦ The Hymn of Dedication No. 280
I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (vv. 1, 4, 5)

✦ The Benediction

✠ Congregational Response #380 (chorus) *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*
Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily, walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Postlude

✠ Please stand if you are able

Elder/Reader – Chris Davenport

Acolyte – Sierra Willis

Sermon Notes

- I. What About the Old Testaments? Romans 11:1-6, 29-36
- A. Universalism versus the rejection of Israel.
1. The rejection of Gentiles versus the rejection of Jews.
 - a. More Jews, at this point, had responded to the gospel than Gentiles (Romans and Greeks).
- B. Verse 26 - "all Israel will be saved."
1. This is a recurring expression in Jewish literature of the time that refers to the remnant of the faithful representing Israel as a whole, but not every individual.
 2. Jewish teachers always followed this statement with a list of those Israelites who would not be saved.
- C. "It ain't over till it's over!" (verses 29-36)
1. God is the one, in Christ, who judges. His calling and his judgment is inscrutable and irrevocable.
 2. Because we have received mercy, we should constantly be looking for and encouraging others to look for opportunities to extend the mercy we have received to those living in "disobedience" (vv. 30-32).

The flowers at the pulpit today are presented to the glory of God by the Deacons in memory of loved ones.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

- Sun. 08/20** Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hour, 11:00 a.m.
- Tues. 08/22** Women's Services, 5:45-7:30 p.m.
- Wed. 08/23** Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
Young Adult Group, 7:00 p.m.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/24 Isabella Jane Davis

REMINDER- payment due.....If you participated in the CPR/AED training held at the church on Saturday, July 29th, your portion of the payment is \$20. If you should have any questions, please see Elder Kym Owens or call the church office. Thank you!

Flower Sponsor Needed August 27th

If anyone is interested, please see Betty Simpkins or call the church office at 935-2148. The cost is \$15.00. Clearly mark your check "Flowers" and place in with the regular offering.

SERMONS FOR THE WEEKS OF SUMMER

August 27, "Living Sacrifices", Romans 12:1-8

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:

Ellie Hall - Wycliffe Bible Translator in Thailand

Revs. Dwayne & Janet Doyle - Living in Haddon Heights NJ, and seeking a new call.

Trinity Preparatory School - Matt & Chanda Williams

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST

Outreach Center of Faith Salem NJ

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY'S LEADERS & THOSE IN THE MILITARY:

Mark Lindle... U.S. Navy

James Morrison... U.S. Air Force

Jamie Spears... U.S. Navy

Andrew Spears... Delaware Air National Guard

Matthew Kemm, M.D... U.S. Army Medical Corps

Austin Brown... U.S. Air Force



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Elvena Eastlack, Recovering from second major back surgery.
(Sister-in-law of David & Sharon Eastlack)

Charis and Ana Williams, Undergoing treatment for Lyme Disease and related complications.

Peg Ingram, Recovering from Lyme Disease.

First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Continue to pray for the work of the Pastoral Nominating Committee. We are still sorting through resumes presented to us. Please pray that God's candidate will surface in a timely manner and that we will be able to make the call with the assurance that the Lord is directing our choice. Pray for each one of us (Reid, Earl, Chris, Kym, Erin and Wendy) that we will continue to do this work faithfully, committed to the task that you, the congregation, has given us. Pray for John also, giving thanks for his ability to joyfully shepherd this flock while he waits for this interim season to come to a close.

Colton Colican, Recovering from extensive injuries resulting from an auto accident. (Friend of Lindsey Zieger)

Ann Eber, 94 years old; prayers for chronic health concerns. (Mike Eber's mother)

Mike Smith, Prayers for serious health issues. (Friend of Keith & Shirley Campbell)

Harry Springer, Prayers for severe health issues. (Friend of David Eastlack)

Connie DiArchangelo, Prayers for recent diagnosis of serious health issues. (Mother of a friend of Reid Willis)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: (CONTINUED)

Linda Stokes, Prayers for serious health issues. (Friend of Erin Owens.)

Terry Zieger's sister, Serious health problems.

Robert Parker, Health concerns. (Friend of David Eastlack)

Brandon Bush, (Friend of Reid Willis)

Bob Hyatt, (Friend of Reid Willis)

Elizabeth Colucci, Prayers for health concerns. (Carol Ives' niece)

Rev. Jack & Martha Schilthuis, Prayers for health issues.

Alexander Fiorillo, Diagnosed with a spinal tumor.

(Joe's piano coach)

Sarah Doyle, Continued prayers. (Rev. Dwayne & Janet Doyle's daughter)

Linda Grant, Prayers for serious health concerns and treatment. (Friend of the Warren/Owens Families)

Sam Elliot, Continued prayers during cancer treatment. (Mother works at the Oak Diner in Salem)

Steve Silagi, Prayers for health concerns and surgery. (Friend of Betty Simpkins)

Gene Zieger's father, Prayers for chronic health issues.

Bernie Weber, Prayers for serious health concerns. (Friend of David & Sharon Eastlack)

Bill Wilkinson, Receiving treatment for spinal tumor. (Friend of the Kings)

Caroline Hickman, Prayers during cancer treatment. (16 year old daughter of a co-worker of Keith Campbell)

Father Michael J. Doyle, Diagnosed with mouth cancer. (Parish Priest of Chris Davenport's coworker)

Dawn Kimble, Prayers for health issues.

Terry Zieger, Prayers for health concerns.

Robert Pollack, Continued prayers. (Steve Pollack's brother)

Donna Bacon, Continued prayers for health issues.

Bob & Maureen McCook, Chronic health issues. (John King's sister & brother-in-law)

Carol Lee, Diagnosed with cancer. (Friend of Sharon Eastlack)

Amy Ricketts, Continued prayers for health issues.

Galen & Sara Lenhert, Continued prayers. (Beth Davenport's parents)

Biba Kavass, Continued prayers. (Friend of Beth Davenport)