

The Order for the Worship of God

The 13th Sunday after Pentecost

September 3, 2017

Ten o'clock a.m.

The Service of Preparation

Silent Preparation

Peter's words, no doubt well meant, caused Jesus to hear again the words of the tempter in the wilderness. His rebuke of Peter was in that light, for He addressed him as Satan, saying, "Get behind me, for you are an offense," a rock out of place! Peter was now a stumbling stone rather than a building stone. These words of Peter's were from human reasoning and not from God.

Myron Augsburger

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

WELCOME SPECIAL GUEST MUSICIAN

Sarah Baumgarten, Soprano

The Prelude "*How Beautiful Are the Feet of Them*" (Messiah) Handel

✦ The Call to Worship (from Psalm 105)

Leader: Give praise to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

People: Sing of him, sing his praises; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Leader: Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always. He is the Lord our God. He remembers his covenant forever. Come, let us worship our God.

✦ The Hymn of Adoration No. 87
May Jesus Christ Be Praised

✦ The Declaration of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again

from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

The Prayers of Adoration and Thanksgiving

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 Ministry of the Word

The Scripture Reading Matthew 16:21-28
(pp. 822 in pew bible)

Special Music "*Et Exultavit Spiritus Meus*" (Magnificat) J. S. Bach

The Sermon "*Get Behind Me, Satan!*" Rev. King

The Hymn of Meditation and Preparation No. 342
Just As I Am (vv. 1, 2, 5)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation

The Prayer of Blessing

The Lord's Prayer No. 426 (sung in unison)

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

✦ The Hymn of Dedication No. **371**

Have Thine Own Way, Lord (vv. 1, 2, 4)

✦ The Benediction

✦ The Congregational Response (chorus) *On Eagle's Wings*

*And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you
on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun and hold you
in the palm of his hand.*

Postlude

✦ Please stand if you are able

Elder/Reader - Rhonda Gage

Acolyte - Carter Willis

SERMONS FOR THE SUNDAYS OF FALL

September 10, "Regaining Relationships", Matthew 18:15-20

September 17, "Don't Let Your Forgiver Get Broken",
Matthew 18:21-35

September 24, "Is This Any Way to Run a Business?",
Matthew 20:1-16

*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. 09/03** Worship Service & Lord's Supper, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hour, 11:00 a.m.
- Mon. 09/04** *Labor Day*
Church Office closed
- Tues. 09/05** Women's Services, 5:45-7:30 p.m.
- Wed. 09/06** Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
Young Adult Group, 7:00 p.m.
- Sat. 09/09** *Women's Breakfast, 9-11:00 a.m.*

Have a Safe and Happy



*Today's loose offerings are dedicated to the
Deacons Helping Hand Fund*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9/06 Lindsey Zieger

9/07 Brighton Pickar



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

9/4/1976 Mike & Karla Eber

9/5/1987 Dennis & Dawn Kimble

Flower Sponsors Needed September 10th & 24th

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.

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

Spirit Life Fellowship 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)

Sermon Notes

I. Get Behind Me, Satan!

Matthew 16:21-28

A. A turning point.

1. After Peter's confession at Caesarea Philippi, Jesus begins to prepare the disciples for his death and resurrection.
2. Verse 21 – The first of Jesus' announcements in Matthew regarding the passion.
 - a. "he must go" – this is not an optional exercise.
3. Verses 22-23 – Peter (and the others) have no preparation for understanding the Messiah as a Suffering Servant.
 - a. Hebrew rabbinical literature and current teaching portrayed the Messiah as a victorious figure who would initiate the punishment and suffering of Israel's enemies.
 - b. That the Messiah would, instead, suffer death on their behalf is scandalous to them (I Corinthians 1:22-25).
 - c. Jesus' response to Peter is decisive and dramatic. He does not tell him to go away as he said to Satan in the wilderness. Instead, he says to get behind him, so he doesn't stumble over him. Thus, Peter, as he follows Jesus, will learn about the cross, but not get in Jesus' way.

B. Discipleship in the new kingdom.

1. "Deny themselves" (v. 24).
 - a. Not asceticism or failure to see one's worth.
 - b. We affirm our worth in Christ and submit ourselves to him and to each other for the sake of the kingdom.
2. "Take up their cross" (v. 24).

- a. It will involve some kind of suffering, sacrifice and abuse. The cross was not an irritation or a light form of suffering. It was a curse to the Jew and a source of shame in addition to being a cruel form of punishment.
3. Verses 25-26 – These thoughts are repeated in various ways by Jesus throughout the gospels.
 - a. Jesus wants our lives This surrendering of our lives is the door to the kingdom.

C. A glorious hope and promise.

1. There will be a judgment (v. 27).
2. To what is Jesus referring in verse 28?