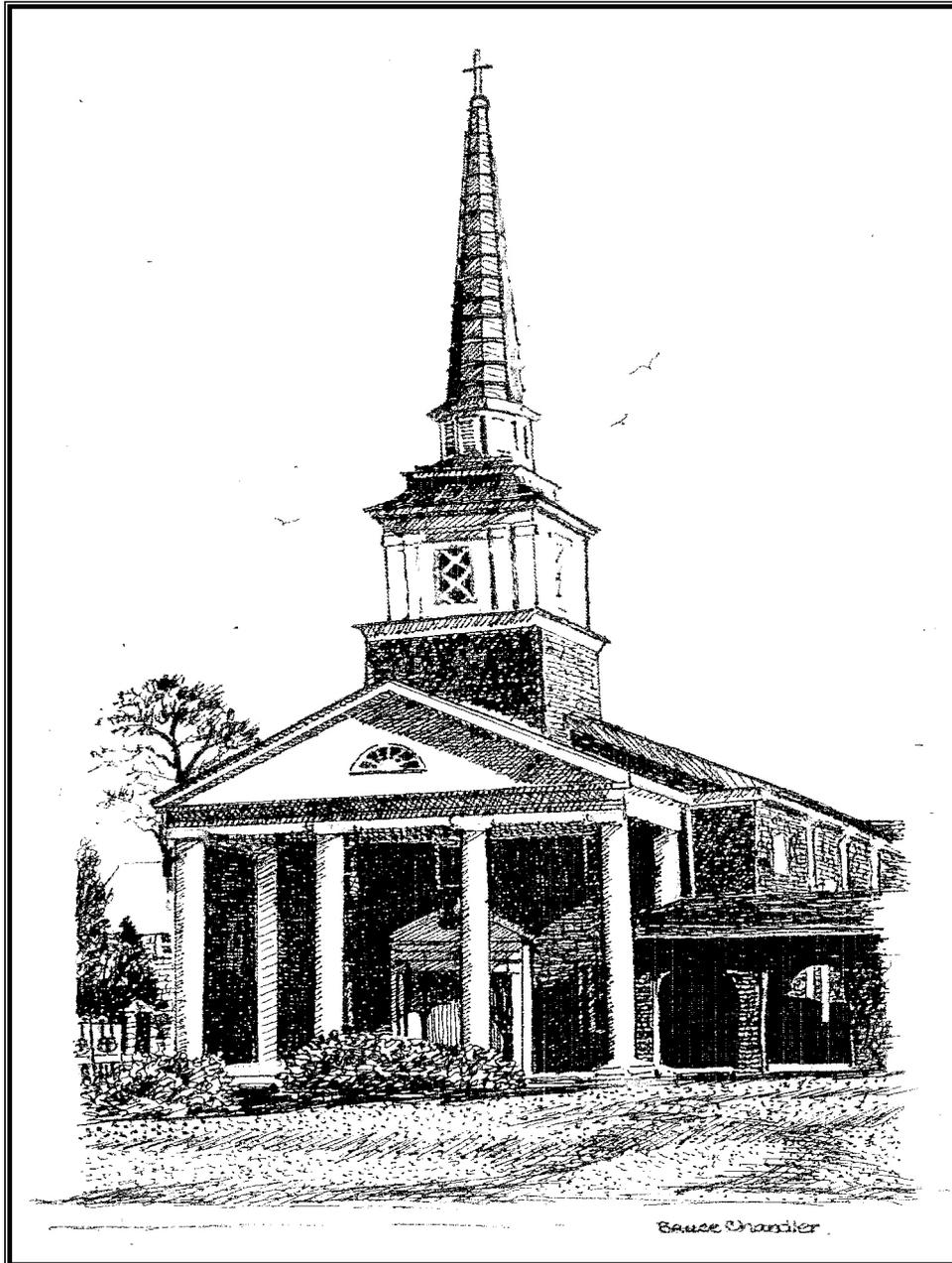


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ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 13, 2020



GATHERING BEFORE GOD

GATHERING

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADER'S HYMN

*"Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown."*

PRELUDE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Ludwig van Beethoven
Arr. by Cindy Berry

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 114)*

Leader: The mountains turned playful and skipped like rams, the hills frolicked like spring lambs.

People: And mountains, why did you skip like rams? And you, hills, frolic like spring lambs?

Leader: Tremble, Earth! You're in the Lord's presence! In the presence of Jacob's God.

People: He turned the rock into a pool of cool water, turned flint into fresh water.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER

Hear the Good News of Salvation

NETTLETON

*"Hear the good news of salvation:
Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!
Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you!
Jesus Christ you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me.
Love me still and cleanse within."*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we are mindful that each time we come into your presence how willing you are to hear us and forgive us. Yet when others betray us or disappoint us we bear grudges and think ill of them. We are quick to anger when we feel that we are wronged. We are slow to seek reconciliation. Forgive us when we fail to follow your example of grace and mercy and help us to be the peacemakers that you taught us to be. Amen

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer, contribute to the needs of the saints, and extend hospitality to strangers.

For in so doing we live in the new life promised by the Risen Christ and show forth the love of God in whom abides the assurance, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 14:7-12

"We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God."

MUSIC MEDITATION

There Is a Balm in Gilead

African-American Spiritual
Arr. by Glenda Austin

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:21-35

“Then Peter came and said to him, ‘Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. ‘For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

SERMON

Dr. Corey Ingold

“Quality of Mercy”

PASTORAL PRAYER

*APOSTLES’ CREED (*Traditional version, page 35 in Glory to God, the Presbyterian Hymnal*)

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.

SENDING OUT TO SERVE

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

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THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU AMONG US!

You are invited to unite with us as a member of Georgetown Presbyterian Church. New members are received either as **Full Members**, the traditional, full-time membership, or **Affiliate Members**, for those who are seasonal or temporary residents. Get more detailed information from our minister, from the elder of the day, or from written materials found on our Welcome Center table in the narthex.

The Vision of Georgetown Presbyterian Church

Georgetown Presbyterian Church is a community of faith bound and driven by the love of Jesus Christ, called to nurture discipleship and share Christ's love with all people.

The Mission of Georgetown Presbyterian Church

In order to fulfill our vision faithfully, we must do the following:

- *Foster a vibrant community of faith that shares God's grace with all generations through uplifting worship and music, meaningful fellowship, and mutual care for one another;*
- *Challenge each other to grow in commitment and involvement by providing wide-ranging opportunities for spiritual growth;*
- *Reach out beyond our doors by serving and providing resources to all God's people in an ever-changing*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Dr. Corey Ingold

Liturgist: Dr. Bill Puckett, Assistant Minister for Pastoral Care

Sylvia Plyer, *Guest Pianist*

Ushers: Emerson Gower, Dick Rose

Audio: Ben Power, Kalib Moyer

Remember in Your Prayers

*“Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ.”
Galatians 6:2*



Members Needing Prayer

(Italics indicate new to the list this week.)

Gen Baumeister, *Cal Dawson*, Gertie Dorn, Betty English, Jan and McCrae Ewart and family, Mary Lou Gilleland, Virge Harrington, Betty Kilgore, Susan Matthews, John Murphy, Martha Jo Poston, Jody Tamsberg, Carey Williamson, Hank and Ramona Young

Friends/Families

Amy Ard, Jurnee Cooper, Dylan Evans, Eve Gvozdas, Marsha Hanes, Penny Hunt, Phyllis Miller, Emeline Shoemaker

Military Personnel

Sammy Boone, Ben Boyle, Kenny Brown, Nathan Erickson, Ernest Fajardo, Cody Geary, Matthew Godfrey, William Howard, Brock Hursey, Eddie Meador, Will Piepenbring, Will Port, Jay Puckett, Will Puckett, Tristan Porcher, Chuck Power, Faith Power, Josh Power, Elizabeth Rooney, Shaun Rooney, Dylan Stegall, Mark Stephens, Brian Taylor, Bradley Walker, John Walker, Tom Walker, Daniel Yarger

Our Missionaries in Worldwide Ministries

Mark and Miriam Adams in Mexico, Jonathan & Emily Seitz in Taiwan, Peter Lee in North Africa, Larry & Inge Sthresley in D.R. Of Congo, Cody Watson in India, Dalit/Untouchables Ministry in India

Financial Report

Sunday, September 6, 2020

Tithes and Offerings this week	\$18,984
Tithes and Offerings this year through Sunday, September 6, 2020	\$517,844
Budgeted Tithes and Offerings this Year To Date	\$585,000
Variance from Budget	(\$67,156)

*RECYCLE YOUR BULLETINS. Baskets are in the narthex.

The Week of September 13, 2020

Sunday 10:00 am	September 13 Worship
Monday	September 14
Tuesday 10:30 am 4:00 pm 5:30 pm	September 15 Staff Meeting Stewardship Committee Session
Wednesday 1:00 pm	September 16 Service to Community
Thursday	September 17
Friday	September 18 <i>Office Closed</i>
Saturday	September 19 <i>Office Closed</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	September 20 Worship

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, please call the church office (843) 546 - 5826, ext. 110, or Corey Ingold, (770) 490 - 6831.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Sally Gillespie and family to the Glory of God, remembering with love Susan Gillespie Elliott.

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HELPING HANDS has scheduled another neighborhood food distribution, where 200 bags will be given to Georgetown County residents, set for Friday, Sept. 18th. With the virus and people laid off work, there is a tremendous need for food in Georgetown County. Helping Hands is **desperate for canned vegetables to include in each food bag**. Please tell your friends of their need for help and drop off any donations at church by next Wednesday. All donations will be delivered to Helping Hands. Thanks in advance for everyone's help.

AUDITORY ASSISTANCE DEVICES are available from an usher.

THE CHURCH OFFICE IS OPEN

TUESDAY - THURSDAY FROM 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Feel free to contact the staff via phone or email. If you need to drop off items at the church, please maintain the 6 feet distance. Stay safe everyone.