CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH July 14, 2024

Revised Common Lectionary Readings Ordinary Time, Year B 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Greeting and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

The LORD by wisdom founded the earth;

by understanding the LORD established the heavens;

By the LORD's knowledge the deeps broke open, and the clouds drop down the dew. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

*Hymn (Glory to God Hymnal #518)

Call to Confession

"But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God."

We long for wisdom, O Lord, but prefer that it be our own. We turn away from learning in humility and ignore the possibility and promise that come from life together with you. Most of all, we drown out your gift of Wisdom as she seeks to get our attention, for we believe that we know better or would prefer to decide where we make her welcome.

Forgive us, loving God. Bring an end to the self-righteousness that ignores you, and awaken us anew to the Wisdom that comes only from you. Show us how to walk in your ways and listen to your promise each and every day. (*Silent Confession*)

adapted from a prayer of confession inspired by Proverbs 1:20-33 by Rev. Andy James; <u>www.liturgylink.net</u>

Assurance, *Gloria Patri, and Passing of the Peace

"God is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.""

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

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.

Time with the Children

Scripture

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

<u>2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19</u> <u>Psalm 24</u> <u>Ephesians 1:3-14</u> <u>Mark 6:14-29</u>

Proverbs 3:19-20; 9:10

Lamb of God

1 Corinthians 1:27-29

1 Corinthians 1:30-31

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

Sermon

*Hymn (Glory to God *Hymnal* #36)

*<u>Affirmation of Faith</u>

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for the Offering

"...this grace was given to me to bring...the news of the boundless riches of Christ...so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places."

Please prayerfully consider the time, talent, and resources you have been given, and how they can be offered back to God in love and service. If this includes making a financial offering to the church, you may use our <u>online giving option</u>

Offertory

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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.

In the Life of the Church

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn (The Presbyterian Hymnal #473, vv. 1-4)

*Benediction and Charge

*We Go Into the World Singing

For Thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above, Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love, Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Postlude

*Please stand in body or in spirit

For the Beauty of the Earth (v. 5)

Parable

For the Fruit of All Creation

Apostles' Creed (ecumenical)

Ephesians 3:8-10

Timely Wisdom

For the Beauty of the Earth