

Order of Worship

We are caring believers who grow, share, and live out our faith in Christ.

July 10, 2022

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" arr. Lloyd Larson
Amy Duran, piano

Our Approach to God

WELCOME Pastor Sayer

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) from Psalm 101
Leader: My theme song is God's love and justice, and I'm singing it right to you, God.

People: I'm finding my way down the road of right living. I'm doing the very best I can, and I'm doing it at home, where it counts.

Leader: I refuse to take a second look at corrupting people and degrading things.

People: I have my eye on salt-of-the-earth people - they're the ones I want working with me; Men and women on the straight and narrow - these are the ones I want at my side.

*HYMN "We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer" #68

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we worship You. We proclaim You. We follow You. But we do those things as we see fit. We sort of construct our own faith. We take little bits we're comfortable with, some more little bits that have some appeal to us. We follow where it doesn't stretch us too much. We believe what we have always carried around in the backs of our minds. We can be quite firm when that firmness applies to other people. But we don't place ourselves in the arms of Christ's church and the ways it holds out for us to live. Holy Spirit, may we come to rely on You and the way You formed and instructed the church down through the centuries, and the way You reveal Yourself to us. Amen.

HEARING OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

LIVING THANKFULLY AS FORGIVEN PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC "Brighter Days" Blessings Offer & Sam Ellis
Soloist: Stephanie Budinich; Amy Duran, piano

The Word of God

GREETING EACH OTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

*HYMN "We are God's People" #399

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE 2 Kings 15:1-7

SERMON "The High Places" Pastor Sayer

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

Our Response to God

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER #815

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" #401

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"
Amy Duran, piano

PRAYER CONCERNS: Anonymous; Lynn Baker; Deanna and Roger Carman; Nancy Lanzaletto; Ed Serrano; Richard Smyth; Craig Terjanian.

THE UNITY PRAYER: We thank you Father for the freedoms you have blessed us with and may we use them for your purpose, Your will and for Your glory.

THE FLOWERS are given by Marilyn Clark in loving memory of Ralph Clark who went to be with our Lord 7/13/2010.

WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY to Wendy Wilcox on the passing of her mother, Yvonne Hayling Clarke, on June 28. Services were held yesterday in Sarasota, FL. Please keep Wendy and her children, Justin and Hayley, in your prayers.

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday 7:30 Property Committee
7:30 Zoom Bible Study
Thursday 10:00 Bible Study
7:30 Zoom Bible Study
7:30 Christian Education Committee

Sunday, July 17, 2022

10:00 AM – Worship
Sunday School with Puppets

ALL CHILDREN PLEASE JOIN US for Sunday School and Puppets next Sunday July 17 at 10:00 AM. Also, we are hosting coffee hour so come join the fun, help set up and have some tasty treats!

WE ARE COLLECTING ITEMS ON AN ONGOING BASIS for the Norwood Food Pantry, which operates out of the Church of the Holy Communion on Summit Street in Norwood. Items needed are mayonnaise, sugar, flour, salad dressing, oil (reg. & olive), canned fruit, chickpeas, cannellini beans, red kidney beans, shampoo, and conditioner. Gift cards to grocery stores are also welcome.

THE SUMMER BIBLE STUDY on Romans 8 is held on Zoom every Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 PM and in the chapel Thursdays at 10:00 AM through August 4. You may pick up a study book in the narthex and email Sandy Bennington at sbennington@optonline.net for the Zoom link or further information.

JOIN US FOR A FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST Sunday, July 24 in Founders' Hall followed by the Communion worship service in the sanctuary. Continental breakfast will be available from 9:00 – 9:45 AM giving us time to fellowship with each other prior to worship.