

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2016

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER Pastor and Congregation

CALL TO WORSHIP Congregation

Pastor: Your steadfast love, O Lord, is better than life.

People: Therefore our lips will praise you.

Pastor: We will bless you as long as we live.

People: We will lift up our hands and call on your name.

Pastor: For you have been our help

People: and in your presence we sing for joy. --from Psalm 63

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP... "Sing Hallelujah to the Lord"...p. 214.....Congregation

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Psalm 65* Reggie Jackson

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed, ² O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come. ³ When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. ⁴ Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple. ⁵ By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. ⁶ By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might. ⁷ You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. ⁸ Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. ⁹ You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. ¹⁰ You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. ¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. ¹² The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, ¹³ the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

HYMN ... "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" 7

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Brandi Powers

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We pray you: in your mercy forgive what we have been, amend what we are,

direct what we shall be; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, giving thanks in all circumstances through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

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MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY HYMN... "Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire" 423

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

GOSPEL LESSON ... *Luke 18:9-14* Molly Abbott

⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

ANTHEM... "Precious Lord" Choir

SERMON ... *An Inclusive God* Rev. Josh Powers

CLOSING HYMN ... "Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated"...vs. 1, 2 and 3 277

POSTLUDE

CALENDAR

TODAY

9:00 a.m. BREAKFAST

5:00 p.m. Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. **Supper ... PIZZA**

6:45 p.m. Bible Study and Youth and Children's programs

SATURDAY

4:00-9:00 p.m. HALLOWEEN AT THE PARK

NEXT SUNDAY

2:30 p.m. Trip to Corn Maze at Kalawi Farms

USHERS

TODAY Jeff Robinson's Team

NEXT SUNDAY Youth Team

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TODAY.....Brandi Powers

NEXT SUNDAY Missy Myers

PRAYER LIST

Church family: Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Larry Wilson, Rodney Loflin, Florence Cagle, Karen Dailey, Bob Morgan, Barbara Lythacum, Gary McCaskill			Ray, Frances Hudson	daughter
At Home: Helen Greene, Violet Epps, Irene Warner			Paul/Thelma Hussey	sister
Friends and Relatives of: Molly/Wayne Abbott			Janie Rumbly	sister-in-law
	Monnie Jenkins	friend	Meryl Johnson	friend
	Juanita King	friend	Mildred Hunsucker	brother
	Tony Lawson	friend	Harold Johnson	mother
	Toni Atcheson	sister	Marian Jackson	friend
	Cassie Jenkins	granddaughter	Benny McBride	nephew
	Martha Garner	sister	Bob Moore	niece
	Tammy Laprade	sister	Pam Morgan	friend
	Audrey Grace Bryan...	friend	Sylvia Long	friend
	Henrietta Garner	friend	Amy Wilson	friend
John Beard	Pat Jones	brother-in-law	John Moore	Nancy's father
Dave/Barb Buckland	Retha Brooks	Sue Ann's mother	Cristie Thomas	friend
Jane Covington	Faye	sister	Beth Holt	friend
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law	Misty Morgan	friend
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law	Melissa Nelson	grand-daught.
Tina Cripps	Lee Hurley	cousin	Iris Luquire	sister-in-law
	Wes Key	uncle	Jo Brooks	friend
	Shelly Hawthorne	friend	J.D. Thompson	nephew
Tim and Tammy Dunn	Todd Reece	friend	Melissa Green	daughter
	Scott Reece	friend	Helen Mabe	aunt
	Lynn Saunders	cousin	Carol Luther	friend
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters	Polly King	friend
Garrett Gooch	Mary Chunn	grandmother	Tammy Parker	friend
			Jesse Wallace	friend
			June Spears	friend
			Marie Spoon	sister
			Service Personnel: Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart	

A Service of Celebration and Dedication for our new building

November 6, 2016

Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m.

Fellowship Meal ... 12:00 noon

Open House for community...Nov. 13 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.