

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Piedmonte, Pastor
Music Director – Gregory Fraser
*** Congregation will stand**

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS: Ravel Ma Mere L'Oye part 3

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – (Hymns that do not appear in the Presbyterian Hymnal are included on an insert in the bulletin – Singing WITH MASKS ON will be allowed in worship)

JULY MISSION MOMENT: Grace Center Baby Bottles w/loose change & School Supplies

INTROIT: “Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone” (Choir only)

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: God is mighty in word and deed.

All: God's mercy is everlasting.

Leader: Blessed be the one holy and living God.

All: Glory to God forever.

*OPENING PRAYER:

Leader: Let us pray:

All: O God of grace and mercy, you call us to proclaim your healing and faithfully fulfill your kingdom mission. Let us not count the cost of our wins and losses, but keep our eyes fixed on you as we seek your realm of peace. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: “From All That Dwell Below the Skies” (PH #229)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us confess our sins to God, whose power is made perfect in our weakness. Let us pray:

All: Holy God, you call us to boldly proclaim your name, yet we too often refuse to heed your call. By the power of your Spirit, raise us to new life that we may return to faithful living, in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sisters and brothers, God's grace and mercy are never ending. Your sins are forgiven, therefore be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI - **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.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with all of you.

All: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: “I'm Going on a Trip, and I'm Gonna Bring a...”

SONG OF PRAISE: “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty” (PH #482)

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Sung)

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path; Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path - When I feel afraid, Think I've lost my way, Still you're there right beside me. And nothing will I fear, As long as you are near, Please be near me to the end

SCRIPTURE READING:

Mark 6:1-13

Response (Sung)

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SERMON: “Packing Light”

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*HYMN: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” (See insert)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: 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.

PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING / OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY / DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (PH #281)

*BENEDICTION / RESPONSE: “Go Now in Peace”

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE: Chopin Mazurka

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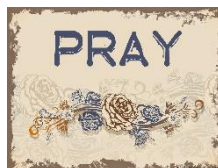
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HYMN: JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

Refrain:

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Daily walking close to Thee,
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

1 I am weak but Thou art strong;
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long

As I walk, let me walk close to Thee. **[Refrain]**

2 Thro' this world of toil and snares,
If I falter, Lord, who cares?

Who with me my burden shares?

None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee. **[Refrain]**

3 When my feeble life is o'er,
Time for me will be no more;
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