

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

Music Director – Gregory Fraser

** Congregation please stand as you feel comfortable*

CHIMING OF THE BELLS

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS:

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O Lord our God, we praise you.

All: We cried to you for help and you answered us.

Leader: You have restored our lives;

All: you have rescued us from the grave.

*OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Living Lord, you meet us in unexpected places and surprise us with the abundance of your love. Feed us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit so that we may follow you this day, and always; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: Here I am Lord (PH #525)

CALL TO CONFESSION:

Leader: When your soul is suffering in silence, you may call out to the Lord our God, who heals our brokenness, who lifts us up from the pit and restores our lives. Let us confess our sin, first in prayer together, then in silent confession:

All: Lord God, in the light of your glory we see the evil we have done, the suffering we have caused, the good we have refused, and the truth we have denied. Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace, so that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the gospel. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Children of God, rise up from the dust! Cast off the shroud of sorrow and put on the joy of the Lord. Believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Leader: Together let us pray for guidance and understanding, praying together:

All: O God of light, by the power of your Holy Spirit, restore our sight, that in these words of Scripture and sermon we may see Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Before & After

SONG OF PRAISE: Christ Whose Glory Fills the Sky (PH #462)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Leader: Together let us pray for guidance and understanding, praying together:

All: O God of light, by the power of your Holy Spirit, restore our sight, that in these words of Scripture and sermon we may see Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: **Acts 9:1-22**

RESPONSE TO THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

SUMMER/FALL Series: Getting in on the ACT(S)TION

MESSAGE: Eye Exam

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

HYMN: Just As I Am (PH #320)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, **Taken from Paul's Letter to the Philippians**

As the Church, we strive to be of the same mind that was in Christ Jesus who... though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Therefore, God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Please be seated)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: God, in your mercy; **All: Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

OFFERTORY / DEDICATION:

*CLOSING HYMN: Amazing Grace (PH #280)

*BENEDICTION / *RESPONSE: (please stand as we bless each other)

Congregational Response: Go Now in Peace

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY, July 17, 2022

9:00am 10:15am 11:00am	CONTEMPORARY Worship Service – Kortright Chapel FRIENDSHIP TIME – Food and Fellowship in between services TRADITIONAL Worship Service – Sanctuary;
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July 25-29 - 6-8pm	Vacation Bible School (VBS) Food Truck Party

- STEWARDSHIP: Sunday, July 10, 2022 – Weekly Giving: \$3090 Weekly Attendance: 24
- FRIENDSHIP TIME: Sundays from 10:15-10:45 Join us for fellowship between services.
- **COOKIES FOR CAMPER!** WCYF Summer Youth Camps will be held in Taylor Hall on Tuesdays & Wednesdays through July & August. If you are able to bless the campers by baking some goodies please bring your baked goods labeled as “CAMPER” and leave in the kitchen.
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- HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Please make sure to let the office know about your special day so we can celebrate you!

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Regarding Active Shooter safety, we all recognize it is a sad state of affairs that we must think about such things, but with churches often as targets, having an action plan is a must. We have contacted local law enforcement to provide us with a training and will invite all to participate once a date has been set. For now, we will be in the practice of locking all doors that provide unseen access to the building once services have begun. These include Taylor Hall, the kitchen and the door to the ramp. The ramp door can still be exited from the inside in case of a fire and the main Sanctuary door (visible from both pulpits) will remain unlocked as well. We thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Questions may be addressed to any member of Session.

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