

# White Memorial Presbyterian Church

## The Service for the Lord's Day

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color – Green

August 30, 2020

10:30 AM

### The Church Gathers

Prayer for Preparation: *God of love, today help us to live peaceably with all. Help us live in genuine love: to love our neighbors as ourselves, and to love you, O God, with our whole heart, mind, and strength. In Jesus' loving name. Amen.*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

One: The God of our ancestors calls us to worship.

**All: Praise the Lord!**

One: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**All: Let us worship God!**

Hymn:

*O God, Our Help In Ages Past*

Prayer of Adoration

### Confession and Pardon

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**All: God of mercy, we confess that, like the disciples, we set our minds not on divine things but on human things. Doubting your loving care, we grab for more than we need. Doubting your loving purposes, we shrink from living as your followers. Doubting your loving plan, we become stumbling blocks in your creation. Forgive us that we may gain new life in you, for it is in Jesus' forgiving name we pray. Amen..... (Please observe a moment of silent confession).**

Assurance of God's Pardon

One: Jesus took up his cross for our salvation. In return for our old life of sin, he promises a new life of grace. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

A Time with Young Disciples

## Hearing God's Word

Prayer of Illumination:

**All: Holy Spirit, who spoke to Moses from the burning bush, speak to us now in the reading and proclaiming of your word. Amen.**

Scripture Reading          Exodus 3:1-15; Matthew 16:21-28

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon:

"This Is Living!"

Rev. Ed Johnson

## Responding to the Faith

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**All: 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.**

Hymn of Response:

*The Servant Song*

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Reception of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

## Going Out in God's Name

Hymn of Commitment: *Take Up Thy Cross*

The Charge and Benediction

Postlude

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Prayer Concerns: Pam Denning; Forest Johnson; Ted and Linda Penny and her sister, Lil; family of Michelle Hare; Krista Stuttgart; Mann Johnson; Gladys Turner; Judy Johnson; Jack Reid; Frances Underwood; Paula Alford; Ann Garrett; Troy Byrd; Larry Bell; Angela Byrd; Judy Morris; Don Wright; Connie Montgomery; Kaylan King; Ann Johnson; Myron Smith, Heather Raum, Dexter Henry, Debbie Murray, Mack Proctor, Tommy Whitley, Michelle Strause, The Maynard Family, Kristy Garrison, Jeremy Wagstaff, Betsy Olive, Donald Putnam, Andrea Ferrero, Darlene Wells, Angela Piper's Grandchild, Madison Bridges, Lisa Lipscomb, those in the path of Hurricane Laura.

Presbyterian mission and Presbyterian disaster workers; Cindy Correl, Suzette Goss-Geffrard, Mark Hare

Those serving in our military; Joey Dobyms, (Ft. Campbell, KY); Matthew Dunn, (Korea); Cortney Jones, (Ft. Meade, MD); Parker Bough, (Okinawa); 82nd Airborne Division, (Kuwait); Dalton Hayes, (Mexico)

### **White Memorial Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:**

Remembering God's Grace, the mission of  
White Memorial Presbyterian Church in Willow Spring is:  
Come to be joyous and thoughtful in worship;  
Walk with God's guidance into deeper faith and knowledge;  
Stretch out to the needy with tangible acts of service;  
Be loving and generous with time, talents and treasures;  
Go out into the world to welcome and invite.

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