Service for the Lord's Day

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 12, 2018

Jesus declared: "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty."

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

God of hope, teach us to commit our lives to your care, that we may find peace. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE Selected

WELCOME Kelly Weaver

*INTROIT #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (v.1) Williams, 1762

*CALL TO WORSHIP

By the power of the Holy Spirit our steadfast loving God reaches out to redeem us.

Thanks be to God!

*HYMN #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (v.2&3)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins to the One who hears our voice and is deeply moved by our distress. May our Lord hear our Silent Prayers and then our Unison Prayer of Confession. Let us pray...

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of peace, we have rejected your redemption and forged our own way. We hang between heaven and earth, caught up in our own folly. We have held fast to falsehood, deceiving others and ourselves. We have sinned against you and done violence to others. Bitterness and wrath, anger and wrangling, slander and malice consume us. Evil runs rampant in our hearts. If you, O Lord, should mark our iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you so that you may be revered. Our soul waits in hope for your word to redeem us so that we may begin anew, a new day with you. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY Kyrie Eleison

"Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of God, hope in the Lord! God in Christ has forgiven you! God has redeemed us from all our iniquities through Christ, who loved us and gave himself for us as living bread for the life of the world.

Amen.

*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.

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Proclaiming

ANTHEM "Simple Gifts" Schweizer

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE 2 Samuel 18: 5-9, 15, 31-33 Bibles, p.279/LG. p.363

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

HYMN #738 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" Gladden, 1879

SECOND SCRIPTURE John 6:35, 41-51 Bibles, p.92/LG. p.119

The Word of God, for the People of God Thanks be to God

SERMON "Don't Be Spiritual?" Rev. Dr. Shelley Wiley

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The cause of good works, we confess, is not our free will, but the Spirit of the Lord Jesus, who dwells in our hearts by true faith, brings forth such works as God has prepared for us to walk in. For soon as the Spirit of the Lord Jesus, whom God's chosen children receive by true faith, takes possession of the heart of any man, so soon does he regenerate and renew him, so that he begins to hate what before he loved, and to love what he hated before. The sons of God fight against sin; sob and mourn when they find themselves tempted to do evil; and, if they fall, rise again with earnest and unfeigned repentance. They do these things, not by their

own power, but by the power of the Lord Jesus, apart from whom they can do nothing. This, we believe.

- The Scots Confession Chapter XIII 3.13

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Selected

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

*HYMN #401 *"Here in This Place" (v.1&2)* Haugen, 1979

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #547 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" Vajda, 1983

POSTLUDE Selected

(*) Those who are able may stand. **Bold italic letters** indicate congregational responses.

Rev. Dr. Shelley Wiley was a candidate for ministry under the care of this congregation and Grace Presbytery when she began her studies at Austin Theological Seminary. She was ordained a Minister of the Word and Sacrament in PCUSA in 1986 and has served in various church settings, as pastor, most recently Honey Creek Presbyterian Church in southwest Ohio, where she lives with her husband, Jon Vanderglas. Shelley received her Ph. D. from Northwestern University in 1993, and has served as a professor of Religious Studies and Philosophy at four colleges. At present, some have said, "She spends way too much time traveling to Haiti".

This week's prayers and concerns: Judy Andrasko, Debbie Castro, Syble DeLoach, Jack Gray, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck, Cindy and Bob Ratliff, Bob Schauwecker, Patsy Snelgrove, Billy Tapley, Kay Warren, Sue Williams, Jan Mims and family on the passing of her brother Jim Humphrey, and the family of Jane Fahle.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
Sun. 08/12	Potluck Lunch following service	
Thur. 08/16	L.E.A.N. Meeting	2:00pm
Thur. 08/16	Session Meeting	6:30pm



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