

## LORD'S PRAYER

*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.*

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

Canon of Spirituals

Ensemble

### \*DOXOLOGY #607

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*We give you thanks and praise, O God,  
for you have chosen the poverty of the world to make your people rich in faith.  
Help us to put our faith into practice through the offering of our lives—  
giving food to the hungry, clothes to the naked, and shelter to the poor;  
all for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, your Word made flesh. Amen.*

— *Sending* —

Jesus Calls Us

### \*HYMN #720

### \*BLESSING AND CHARGE

The blessing of the one God—Spirit, Son, and Father—  
be with you now and always. *Alleluia!*

Lead a life worthy of your calling, giving glory to God in all things. *Amen.*

### \*POSTLUDE

The Song of Khivria (Mussorgsky)

Stefen Kane, Horn

You may be seated after the light passes.



First  
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Henderson, Texas



*Serving God,  
Honoring Creation,  
Embracing Differences*



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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
HENDERSON, TX  
10th Sunday after Pentecost  
August 14, 2022**

(\*) Please rise in body or in spirit  
**Bold Italic Letters** indicate congregational response

**— Gathering —**

Where He Leads Me, I Will Follow

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Behold the gathering of God's own:  
beside believers and among apostles,  
drawn together as disciples and doubters,

***we are shoulder to shoulder with shepherds and saints!***

Since we are surrounded by this great cloud of witnesses,  
let us run with perseverance the race before us,  
***looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.***

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin  
and sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts.  
Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,  
that all people may know the glorious liberty  
of the children of God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*HYMN #821      How Can I Keep From Singing? (My Life Flows On)**

**CONFSSION**

***Loving Creator, with a gardener's tender touch,  
you planted your people to bear good fruit, but we bear wild grapes.  
With a welder's fierce fire, you fashioned your people to glorify you,  
but we are riddled with impurities.***

***In your generous mercy, O God, regard the vine you planted:  
save and restore us.***

***Reform the vessel you crafted:  
cleanse and refine us.***

***Give us life, O God, that with our whole being,  
we may worship you rightly.***

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Jesus endured the cross and disregarded its shame for the sake of the joy that was set before him. That joy is our salvation. His joy is our freedom.

Believe the good news: ***In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.***

Joshua Allen  
Rev. Michele Goff  
Liturgist: John Tieken

**\*Gloria Patri #581**

***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.***

**— Word —**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST TESTAMENT READING**      Jeremiah 23: 23-29      Bible p. 682-683, LG p. 888  
The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. Listen to the word of the Lord.

**SECOND TESTAMENT READING**      Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2      Bible p. 212-213, LG p. 274-275  
Hear the word of the Lord.

Keep these words in your heart.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. ***Thanks be to God.***

**GOSPEL**      Luke 12:49-56      Bible p. 71, LG p. 92  
Hear God's wisdom for us.

The wisdom of God for the people of God. ***Thanks be to God.***

**SERMON**      Division      Rev. Michele Goff

**ASCIPTION OF PRAISE**

**— Response —**

**\*HYMN #735      I Need Thee Every Hour**

**\*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 OF INTERCESSION**

Surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, we pray for the fulfillment of God's promise, saying: In faith, O God, ***we seek your grace.***

... Strengthen us to run the race that is before us, laying aside the heavy burdens of sin and death and following the pioneer and perfecter of our faith: Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord. ***Amen.***