PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which 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 THE OFFERING

Our Help Is in the Name of God OFFERTORY

Jack Brooks

*Doxology #607

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

—Sending—

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy *HYMN # 435

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light **POSTLUDE**

Jack Brooks

You may be seated after the light passes you in the aisle.

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Debbi Ricci......Administrative Assistant Jack BrooksGuest Organist

> Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences



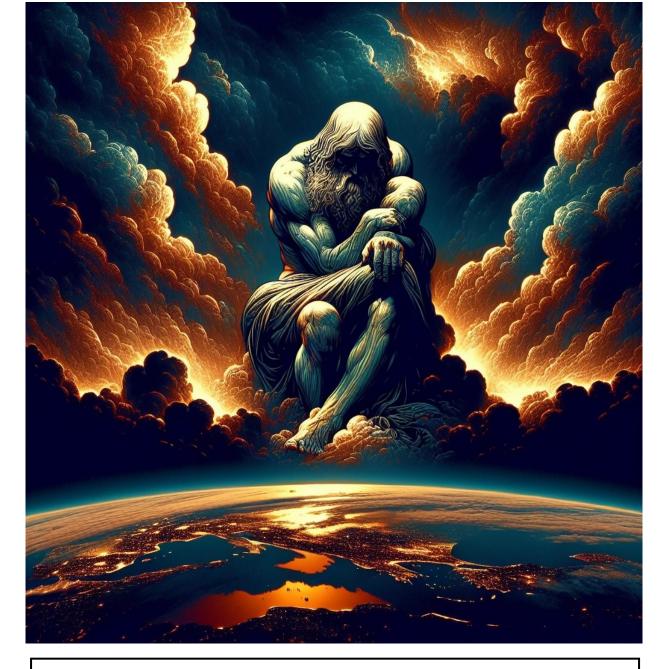
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HENDERSON, TX **3rd Sunday of Pentecost** June 29, 2025

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

— Gathering —

PRELUDE A Lyric Prelude Jack Brooks
WELCOME Liturgist: Steve Lowe

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 104)

O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made us all! The earth is full of Your creatures, living things both small and great!

When You open Your great hand, we are filled with good things.

When You send forth Your spirit,
You renew the face of the ground.

May You rejoice in Your works and may we sing to You as long as we live! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and praise God's holy name forever!

*HYMN #738 O Master Let Me Walk with Thee

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, you claimed us as your own in our baptisms and called us to be your covenant people. We confess we do not live as people created in your image, nor do we lead lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called. Jesus still calls, "Follow me" and we offer excuses because we can't do that. Jesus calls us to new life in the Spirit, and we cling to our old habits and tired traditions. Gracious God, forgive our sins. Open our ears and hearts to hear Jesus's call and give us grace and strength to respond in faith and love. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

...Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*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 READING Romans 8:18-28 Bible p. 148, LG p. 192

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Genesis 6:5-6, 7:1-5, 11-18; 9:8-13 Bible p. 5-7, LG p. 6-9

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "and it grieved God to God's heart" Rev. Brendan McLean

—Response—

*HYMN #32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

*Affirmation of Faith (from "A Declaration of Faith")

We are certain that Jesus lives.

He lives as God with us,

touching all of human life with the presence of God.

He lives as one of us with God.

Because he shares our humanity

and has bound us to himself in love,

we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.

We declare that Jesus is Lord.

His resurrection is a decisive victory

over the powers that deform and destroy human life.

His lordship is hidden.

The world appears to be dominated by people and systems

that do not acknowledge his rule.

But his lordship is real.

It demands our loyalty and sets us free

from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us.

We maintain that ultimate sovereignty

now belongs to Jesus Christ

in every sphere of life.

Jesus is Lord'

He has been Lord from the beginning.

He will be Lord at the end.

Even now he is Lord.