

CARROLLTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020 - 11:00 A.M.



PREPARING TO WORSHIP GOD

CENTERING PRAYER

When we remember your love which has no beginning and no end, when we stand in grace's sweet waters swirling around our hearts, we can rejoice in your hope which sees every person, even those we would never invite into our circles, as your beloved child. - Rev Thom Shuman

MUSICAL MEDITATIONS

Bryant Hand

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Moore

PRELUDE

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go
Dawn McCord, organ

Matt Limbaugh

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bennett Brown

Here in this place, with these people, we come to worship the living God.

In you, O God, we hope; in you, Creator of love, we live.

Here in this sacred space, in these very moments, we are invited to the Table of Joy.

In you, Christ of the Way, we rejoice; in you, dear brother, grace is as near as your heart.

Here on this day of gentleness and beauty, we are filled with the peace of God.

In you, O Spirit, we find our path; in you, Teacher of hope, we learn to serve.

HYMN

My Life Flows On

821

CALL TO CONFESSION

Called to have the same mind as Christ, we often spend too much time thinking about all those ways which then lead us astray. But, if we confess our sins, God will forgive us, and strengthen us to be Christ's sisters and brothers. Join me as we pray together, saying:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You would call us to your feast, Inviting God, but our busy lives keep us from responding. You remember every word we utter, every prayer we whisper, but we forget all the little ways you care for us. You would make your gentleness known through us, but we lash out in anger and fear towards others. Forgive us, God of all hope, and remember your Servant, Jesus Christ. In him, we can live in your way. Through him, we can learn the dreams you have for us. With him, we can open our arms and embrace all the people we meet...
Silence is kept... Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Rev. Michael Moore

As we are forgiven by God, we can begin to reflect on all those ways in which we can live justly, act honorably, love completely. This is indeed good news for us. At the Wedding Feast, we are fed with grace, and nourished with joy, so we may go and bring hope and peace to everyone we meet. Thanks be to God.

Amen!

**** The liturgy was written by Pastor Michael's colleague and friend, Rev. Thom M. Shuman and can be found in his book Playing Hopscotch in Heaven.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Doc and Bette Stuckey

As Christ Jesus has shared his peace with each of us, let us now share that peace with each other.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures:

Isaiah 25:1-9

Rev. Michael Moore

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Be Not Afraid

Bob Dufford

Tony Colpini, tenor

Reading from the Gospel:

Matthew 22:1-14

Rev. Michael Moore

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SERMON

The Greatest Invitation Ever

Rev. Michael Moore

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's 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 THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(When you hear Lord in your mercy, please respond by saying: hear our 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

WORD OF GRACE AND THANKSGIVING

DOXOLOGY 606

FOLLOWING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN Listen, God is Calling 456
Mike and Linda Handyside, songleaders

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence PICARDY/Hayes, arr.
Leslie Goldsmith, piano

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Michael Moore
Music Director and Organist: Dawn McCord
Pianist: Leslie Goldsmith
Liturgist: Bennett Brown
Sound Technician: Bryant Hand
Musical Meditations: Mary Anne Taylor and Bryant Hand
Handbell Director: Brianna Cunningham
Readers: Doc and Bette Stuckey



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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday 10:00am - 2:00pm.
HAPPENING THIS WEEK

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Leadership</u>
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Monday, October 12

Tuesday, October 13

2:00 p.m.	Open Hands - Food	Outreach Team
5:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Disciple Fast Tracks- The Prophets	

Wednesday, October 14

9:00 a.m.	Prayer Group	
7:00 p.m.	Fellowship Dinner	
7:00 p.m.	CPC Masked Singers choir rehearsal	

Thursday, October 15

11:00 a.m.	Soup Kitchen	Outreach Team
2:00 p.m.	Open Hands - Food	Outreach Team
6:30 p.m.	Wine and the Word Circle	

Friday, October 16

Saturday, October 17

Sunday, October 18

9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	
11:00 a.m.	Streaming Worship Service	Worship Team

* For more information on any of these events, please contact the church office, or an elder serving on the appropriate leadership team.

Session Members: Jay Horsley (Admin), Mimi Gentry (Communications), Mary Anne Taylor (Worship), Dena Wilson (Fellowship & Worship), Chase Robinson (Stewardship & Finance), Carolyn Aycock (Stewardship & Finance), Pat Sheffield (Member Care), Jared Price (Christian Ed.), Jackie Warren (Buildings & Grounds), Jeb Brown (Buildings & Grounds), Patti Stewart (Outreach), and Jeff Branyon (Outreach)