

CARROLLTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021 - 11:00 A.M.



PREPARING TO WORSHIP GOD

CENTERING MOMENT

Resistance and nonviolence are not in themselves good. There is another element that must be present in our struggle that then makes our resistance and nonviolence truly meaningful. That element is reconciliation. Our ultimate end must be the creation of the beloved community. - Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

"Jesus Children"

by Robert Glasper

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Moore

PRELUDE

Lord Be Glorified

Bob Kilpatrick

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mimi Gentry

Whether we are strangers or old friends, God is joining us together in this place.

God's steadfast love is our foundation; God's faithfulness is with us forever.

Whether we are 'natives' or immigrants, God is building us together spiritually.

God's steadfast love is our foundation; God's faithfulness is with us forever.

Whatever walls we try to build between us, in Christ, God tears them down to build a household for all of God's people.

God's steadfast love is our foundation; God's faithfulness is with us forever.

*HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

GTG #321

CALL TO CONFESSION

Mimi Gentry

Do we really want God to dwell with us, or are we only willing to 'rent' our space for a brief visit? Our actions, our words, our silence, our fears all show the presence, or absence, of God in our lives. Let us empty ourselves of all which burdens us, and welcome the One who lives with us forever. Please join me as we pray:

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mimi Gentry

Steadfast God, we confess that we are so busy putting up walls between ourselves and others, we cannot see the home you are building for all of us. We spend so much time noting the differences between us and others, while you are embracing everyone as your child. We run to welcome those who look, talk, and act like us, and you throw open your doors to the stranger, the alien, in our midst. Forgive us, Faithful Heart. By your grace, help us to see the household you are building for all people: there are no plastic

protectors on the furniture; there are no rooms that are off-limits; and even the smallest child is welcome to sit at the big peoples' Table and be fed by your grace. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our peace, our hope, our Lord, our Savior. -- *Silence is kept.* Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Rev. Michael Moore

Do you remember? At one time, you were without Christ; you were the stranger, the outsider, the alien. But now, in Christ, you have been brought home, living in God's household of hope and peace. God's covenant with us is everlasting; God's steadfast love is forever; God's forgiveness makes us new and whole. Thanks be to God. Amen.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Rev. Michael Moore

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

GTG #824

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Rev. Michael Moore

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Compassion and the Beloved Community

Rev. Michael Moore

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(from the Belhar Confession)

We believe that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right; that the church must therefore stand by people

in any form of suffering and need... that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(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

WORDS OF GRACE AND THANKSGIVING

Mimi Gentry

God's love is revealed in those who seek to be faithful in sharing their gifts, so the hungry might be fed, so the lonely might be comforted, so the forgotten will be remembered, so our sisters and brothers might know God's grace and love in their lives. Amen.

OFFERTORY

(you are invited to bring your offering to the plate on the Communion Table)

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

GTG 606

FOLLOWING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

****POSTLUDE** We Worship and Adore You Composer Unknown -Arr: Mark Hayes

* You are invited to stand, if able

** You are invited to remain seated for the postlude

The liturgy was written by Pastor Michael's friend and colleague, Thom M. Shuman and is found in his book, Where the Broken Gather © 2014

“We are livestreaming this service so people can join us wherever they are. Please know that we have cameras recording, and your image may show up on our broadcast. Thanks so much.”

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Michael Moore
Pianist: Leslie Goldsmith
Liturgist: Mimi Gentry
Sound Technician: Bryant Hand
Musical Meditation: Don Rice
Virtual Worship Technicians: Keith and Robin Ellison
Jared Price and Denise Moore
Ushers: Bette Stuckey and Jim Carter



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are many ministries that Carrollton Presbyterian Church supports in our community and beyond. You may give of your time, talent, and tithes by contacting the church office, mailing a check to the church or by giving online through Realm Communications or carrolltonpresbyterian.church. Thank you for this prayerful consideration of your gifts.

What is God calling you to do as a disciple of Christ? Do you want to dig deeper into the meaning of scripture? Come join the fellowship of Disciple Bible Study as we read, research, discuss, and pray over scripture. Disciple Bible Study will start its 4th year on August 3, 2021. We will meet every Tuesday, 5:30-7:00 pm. The first 16 weeks are based on the writings of the Old Testament. The second 16 weeks are based on the New Testament writings of John. "Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them." John 13:17

For more information or to participate in this study contact Mary Anne Taylor, tmaryanne45@gmail.com or 770-363-7376.

Elder Training for all Session members will be held on Sunday, July 18th and 25th in Westminster Hall at 12pm lunch, 1-4 training.

We are so thankful for all the hard work, Keith and Robin Ellison and Jared Price, have done and continue to do as we continue to broadcast our services. We are looking for volunteers to operate the system with them. Please prayerfully consider volunteering to be a part of this vital ministry.



Watermelon at the Ranch

On July 24th our teens, tweens, and kids will be getting together for fun at the Hodge Ranch here in Carroll County. We will play games, meet animals and of course eat watermelon!

An outdoor event for families. We'll have activities planned for all ages.

TIME: 7:00pm-8:30pm

DATE: July

Questions? Contact Di and Bill Hodge at 770-845-9448 or bill@hodgeranch.com

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

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Leadership</u>
Monday, July 19		
Tuesday, July 20		
12:00 p.m.	Al-anon	
2:00 p.m.	Open Hands - Food	Outreach Team
5:30-7:00 p.m.	The Tuesday evening Bible Study is taking a break for the month of July and will start back in August.	
Wednesday, July 21		
9:00 a.m.	The Wednesday morning devotional group is taking a break for the month of July and will start back August 4th.	
Thursday, July 22		
11:00 a.m.	Soup Kitchen	Outreach Team
2:00 p.m.	Open Hands - Food	Outreach Team
Friday, July 23		
Saturday, July 24		
Sunday, July 25		
9:00 a.m.,	Tai Chi on the Lawn	Mimi Gentry
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service in the Sanctuary	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), Bennett Brown (Fellowship), Dena Wilson (Worship), Chase Robinson (Stewardship & Finance), Bette Stuckey (Member Care), Lisa Somerlot (Christian Ed.), Jackie Warren (Buildings & Grounds), Jeb Brown (Buildings & Grounds), Linda Handyside (Outreach), Jeff Branyon (Outreach), and Andy Taylor