

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 8, 2017
Morning Worship | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

Welcome

Prelude

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

arr. Paul Manz

*Congregational Introit

“Who With God Most High Finds Shelter”

Hyfrydol

Who with God Most High finds shelter
In th' almighty's shadow hides.
To the Lord I'll say, "My Refuge!"
In my God my trust abides.
From the fowler's snare he'll save you,
From the deadly pestilence;
Cover you with outspread pinions,
Make his wings your confidence.

~Psalm 91:1-4

*Call to Worship

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn No. 17

“Ye Servants of God”

Hanover

Sharing of Family News

Prayer of Intercession

8:00 Dr. Robert Norris

9:30 Rev. Rob Yancey

11:00 Rev. Ron Meyer

Old Testament Reading

8:00 Steve Roylance

9:30 Pam Ramsey

11:00 Harrison Reeder

Psalm 91

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*Hymn

“On Eagle's Wings”

On Eagle's Wings

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in his shadow for life,
Say to the Lord, “My Refuge,
My Rock in whom I trust.”

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under his wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day,
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come.

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

For to his angels he's given a command,
To guard you in all of your ways,
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

8:00 John Sillin

9:30 Peter Beukema

11:00 Doug Gilbert

Offertory

"Tree of Life"

Pepper Choplin

Sanctuary Choir; Traci Klemm, piano

In Eden's garden paradise, so full of beauty, full of life,
With fruit to feed humanity that all would live forever.
And there a tree of knowledge stood with mysteries of evil and good.
When people ate its tempting fruit, their days on earth were numbered.
Though they were moved from paradise into a world where all would die,
Still God so loved the world he made, God had a plan to make a way that all would live forever.

On Calvary's hill a tree would stand,
Nailed to this tree God's holy man would taste the bitter fruit of painful death,
The fruit of sin and suffering.

For God so loved this world he made, his act of love would make a way
That whosoever would believe should never die,
But have new life, so all would live forever.

A seed of faith fell to the ground, a kingdom tree grew strong and sound.
It offers all the fruit of life.

All who receive, all who believe shall never die.

Come to this tree that God has grown,

Come see the truth that God has shown:

All who receive the fruit of life shall live and live forevermore.

~Adapted from Genesis 3; I Peter 2: 24; John 3: 16; Matthew 13: 31 by Pepper Choplin

***11:00—Hymn No. 624—Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

New Testament Reading

1 John 1:1-4

page 1021, pew Bible

1st in a series of sermons on the Book of 1 John

Sermon

“Proclaiming Eternal Life”

Dr. Todd Smedley

1st in a series on the Book of 1 John

***Hymn No. 27**

“Tell Out My Soul”

Woodlands

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

***Invitation to Communion**

***Declaration of Faith—The 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 Spirit, 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 at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, our shortcomings, and offenses. you alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, who are ashamed and sorry for all that displeases you. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, your own dear Son. Speak afresh to us the gospel of your grace, and remind us that if we confess our sins, you are faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In your Son is our salvation, in your promises our hope. Take us for your children and give us the Spirit of Your Son, and in the end receive us into your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration and the 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Distribution of the Elements of the Lord’s Supper

***Passing of the Peace**

***Communion Response**

“Communion Hymn”

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And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond,
And to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As his body here on earth.
As we share in his suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we’ll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

***Benediction**

Postlude

“Recessional”

Charles Callahan

* *Congregation standing, if able*

Elders are available for prayer or ministry at the front of the Sanctuary at the conclusion of each service.

The Sanctuary flowers are a ministry of the Flower Committee.

Roses on the organ celebrate births within our family of faith.

James was born on November 1 to Shawn and Melissa Eubank.

Lydia was born on December 3 to Ryan and Lily Rudy.

We pray God will strengthen and guide these families.

The morning worship service is broadcast each Sunday at 11:00am locally on WAVA 105.1 FM and worldwide by internet streaming audio at www.wava.com.

Hearing enhancement units are available for checkout in the Media Center or ask an usher for assistance.

**Concert of Prayer:
Christ-Centered Worship**

4:45pm in the Upper Room

Followed by Evening Worship at 6pm in the Sanctuary.

Join us for directed small group prayer as we ask God's blessings on our worship and seek to glorify him.

Tonight's Evening Service

6:00pm

“The Shepherd's Shepherd”

1 Peter 5:1-4

Rev. Corey Gray

Next Sunday, January 15

Morning Service

8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

“Walking in the Light”

1 John 1:5-10

Dr. Todd Smedley

Evening Service

6:00pm

“Lessons in Time for the Church”

1 Peter 5:5-11

Rev. Ron Meyer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

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