

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF KANE

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 16, 2024

As the hour is chimed, please observe silence and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

**The congregation is invited rise in body or spirit.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

"He Leadeth Me"

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 92

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

People: to sing praises to God Most High; to declare God's steadfast love in the morning and God's faithfulness at nighttime.

Leader: Those who are planted in the house of the Lord flourish;

People: no matter their age, all bear fruit and remain lush and fresh,

Leader: The LORD is our rock, rooted in God's love there is no injustice.

People: It is good to give thanks to the LORD our God!

*OPENING HYMN #466

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

AZMON

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in God's steadfast love and mercy, let us confess our sin.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that we so often overlook your kingdom at work among us. Mesmerized by power and prestige, we totally miss the mustard seeds you have planted all around us. Forgive us when we work against your plans and purposes, fostering divisions rather than unity, and responding with apathy instead of enthusiasm to your reconciling work which grows around us. Help us to grow in our faithfulness, so that we become the people you created us to be.

Silence for personal confession of sin.

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away and everything has become new. Believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made new.

People: Thanks be to God.

***SUNG RESPONSE**

"We Are One in the Spirit"

see bulletin

***SHARING GOD'S PEACE**

Leader: Let us greet each other in the peace and unity of Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Prepare our hearts and minds for the hearing of your Word, Holy God. Open us to your truth. Humble us to your way. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SOLO

"In the Bulb There is a Flower" - Sleeth

Lynda Karger

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 4:26-34

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

MOMENTS OF SILENT REFLECTION

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed**

**and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(please use the words that are familiar to you debt/trespass)*

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING ANTHEM

*DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

**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

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Generous God, we give you thanks for all your blessings to us. Use these gifts we offer as a sign of your great love for the world, so that all may know and share the abundance of your grace; in your holy name we pray.

People: Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Faith of Our Fathers" see insert

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*BENEDICTION "Amen" Congregation

Amen Danish



A - men. A - men. A - men.

*POSTLUDE "Marching to Zion" – Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Whether this is your first visit to this church or if you attend every Sunday – everyone is welcome, and we are glad that you are part of our worship service today.

Today's flowers are in honor of Scott and Mary Bizzak's 25th wedding anniversary.

Please join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the service.

Mark Your Calendars St. Matthew's has again invited us to join them at their annual summer picnic on Wednesday, July 17th to be held at the Kinzua Bridge State Park. There will be more details to follow.

Summer Worship at St. Matthew's On July 21st, we will worship with St. Matthew's at St. Matthew's in Mount Jewett at 11:00 am. The Rev. Anita Bernhardt, Executive Presbyter, of Lake Erie Presbytery will be leading the worship service.

Reminder Session meets Monday, June 17, 2024, at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Place.