

First Presbyterian Church
July 12th, 2020

Greeting Sara Anne Berger

One: The Lord be with you

MANY: And also with you.

Prelude *For the Beauty of the Earth* Michael Rorex

Opening Prayer Sara Anne Berger

Announcements Sara Anne Berger

Prayer Requests Sara Anne Berger

Call to Worship Link Hall

One: Worship the Lord with gladness

MANY: Come into God's presence with singing!

One: Come into the grace of Jesus Christ

MANY: As we worship God!

Call to Confession Link Hall

Unison Prayer of Confession:

We begin our prayer with a time of silent confession

Let us pray together. **Gracious God, we confess our lack of faith. We doubt your abilities, and we do not trust in you. We do not believe you are willing to care for us, and we do not trust that you are faithful to us. We underestimate your power, and do not notice or give thanks for what you have done. Forgive us, O God, and in your mercy strengthen our faith, so that we may fully trust in your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon Sara Anne Berger

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

MANY: We know that we are forgiven and are at peace.

Special Music *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* Michael Rorex

Prayer for Illumination Link Hall

Scripture Reading John 17:9-19

I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 23:5

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Sermon Sara Anne Berger

Affirmation of Faith: **We believe God loves all people and loves us no matter what. We have confidence the Lord will lift us up, no matter how low we may sink. We believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. We confess that Jesus is Lord, and trust that he gives us access to God. Knowing that we each have a personal relationship with Jesus, our Savior, we trust that we can, and do, know Jesus for ourselves. We believe he will guide us every step of the way. We believe the Holy Spirit is with us, leading us, and speaking to us, still. We have confidence through God's Holy Spirit that we are guided every step of the way in our lives. Amen.**

Prayers of the People Ed Evans

Reminder of the offering Sara Anne Berger

Prayer of Dedication Sara Anne Berger

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOR THE
PURPOSE OF DISSOLVING THE PASTORAL CALL

*Charge and Benediction Sara Anne Berger

One: We are created by God, saved by Jesus Christ,
MANY: and led by the Holy Spirit.

One: May we as individuals become a community.
MANY: May we serve in this place, at this time.

*Postlude *Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies* Michael Rorex

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NEXT WEEK'S HELPERS

LAY ASSISTANT: Ed Evans

PRAYER LEADER: Peggy Gilbert

WEEK AT A GLANCE JULY 12-19

Sunday	11:00 AM	Worship
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	11:30A.M.	Lunch On Us
Thursday	12P.M.	Womens' AA Meeting: Calvary Room
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	11:00A.M.	Worship

JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT

Income -- \$6,671

Expenses -- \$7,768

YEAR TO DATE

Income -- \$56,377

Expenses -- 55,221

Contributions

7/5/20 -- \$3,949.00

PRAYER LIST

Joanna Allison, Kevin Bedsole & family, Terri Boswell, Tommy Boswell, Dana Bradley, Mary Brister, Pam Caldwell, Kathlean Cathey, Jerry Chastain, Darlene & David Cloud, James Cohl, Rev. Tommy Curry, Ann Duke, Beverly Durham, Kay Freeland, Andrew Gilbert, Peggy Gilbert, Cinda Green, Diane Gunter, The Rev. Hale Family, Elizabeth & Link Hall, John Harling, Carolyn Harrington, Marianne Harvey, Robbie & Horace Herrington, Barbara Hopper, Richard Jennings, Pam Jones, Camille Killough, Delphine Lloyd, Brenda Maechling, Betty Marshall, Jennifer McDowell, Cheryl & Don Meredith, Debra Mishkel, Kathy Muder, Mary Ann Nicholas, Sydney & Mark Peterson, Robin Plata & twins, Rev. Brian Ray, Melba Rorex, Mary Smith, Sallye Starks, Frederick Toussaint, Bennett Williams, Davis Wilson, Elaine Zachariason, Russell Zachariason

In the Military: Trevor Bates, Gene Bentley, Ann Brown, Jon and Katie Cooper, Aaron Foster, John Hatley, Vincent Maggio, Eric Maxwell, Casey Oden

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