

**Edgewood Presbyterian Church
Homewood, Alabama
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022**

****Please text any prayer requests to 205-924-5080 before the Sharing of the Peace.
Please include your name, unless you wish the request to be anonymous.****

Prayer of Preparation

*Gracious God, strengthen my voice to join the heavenly choir giving praise to you.
Amen.*

Chiming of the Trinity

The Waters of Baptism

Prelude

Meditation on "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Hymn Tune: Maryton H. P. Smith

arr. by Robert J. Powell

Welcome

Rev. Joe Genau

*** Call to Worship**

Kristi Ware, liturgist

Bless the Lord, my soul,
And bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul,
Who leads me into life.

You are our holy God,
We are your holy people.

You have called us to this holy ground.
We turn now to behold your hallowed name.

Prayer of the Day

Hymn 618

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

DEO GRACIAS

¹ O love, how deep, how broad, how
high,
beyond all thought and fantasy,

that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.

² For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew,
for us, the tempter overthrew.

⁴ For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent the Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

³ For us by wickedness betrayed,
for us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us gave up his dying breath.

⁵ All glory to our Lord and God,
for love so deep, so high, so broad:
the Trinity whom we adore
forever and forevermore.

Invitation to Reconciliation

Prayer of Brokenness

**Faithful and loving God,
we confess that we have not lived as you would have us live.
You tell us we are made in your image,
and yet we wound one another and tear ourselves apart.
We speak your name in vain far more than we speak it in love.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Help us to live our lives in Christ,
offering blessings and word of trust,
and caring for one another with your Word on our hearts...**

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, and restored to new life!

Gloria 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F
 1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.
 (D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
 F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7
 and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.
 (A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
 C7 F A Dm
 and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.
 (Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F
 As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter

Psalm 33: 12-22

- 12 The nation whose God is the LORD,
the people whom God has chosen to be God's heritage, is truly happy!
- 13 **the LORD looks down from heaven; God sees every human being.**
- 14 From the holy dwelling place, God observes all who live on earth.
- 15 **God is the one who made all their hearts,
the one who knows everything they do.**
- 16 Kings are not saved by the strength of their armies;
warriors are not rescued by how much power they have.
- 17 A warhorse is a bad bet for victory; it can't save despite its great strength.
- 18 **But look here: the LORD's eyes watch all who give God honor,**

all who wait for God's faithful love,

¹⁹ to deliver their lives from death and keep them alive during a famine.

²⁰ We put our hope in the LORD. God is our help and our shield.

²¹ Our heart rejoices in God because we trust his holy name.

²² LORD, let your faithful love surround us because we wait for you.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“By Faith”

Rev. Joe Genau

Hymn 819

Be Still, My Soul

FINLAND

¹ Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.

Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Leave to thy God to order and provide,
who through all changes faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

² Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
to guide the future surely as the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.

Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

³ Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever with the Lord;
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.

Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

***Sharing of the Peace**

Announcements for the Community of Faith

Anthem

Blessing

Katie Moran Bart

*May the road rise up to meet you; may the wind be always at your back,
may the sunshine warm upon your face, and the rains fall soft upon your fields.*

Until we meet again, my friend, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

*May the road rise up to meet you; may the wind be always at your back,
may the sunshine warm upon your face, and the rains fall soft upon your fields, 'til we meet
again, we meet again. May God hold you in His hand.*

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***Invitation to the Lord's Table**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

***The Lord's Prayer**

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

Communion of the People

Music at Communion

Chorale and Variation on
Jesus, Life of My Life

Johann Ludwig Krebs

Concerns of the Church & Prayers of the People

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Hymn 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

ASSURANCE

¹ Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
(Refrain)

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.
This is my story; this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

² Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
(Refrain)

³ Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
(Refrain)

Charge from the Steps

***Charge and Benediction**

Rev. Joe Genau

***Postlude**

Little Prelude and Fugue in F Major

J. S. Bach

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