

The Order of Service for the Worship of God
Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church
September 18, 2016
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP: "The Perfect Church"

A skit, starring Walt Bagstrom, Danny and Jackie Kirkland, Buz Helms, Emily Leonard, Lou Moore

OPENING VOLUNTARY "I Know Whom I Have Believed" James McGranahan
with Leslie Novilla, piano arr. Vicki Collinsworth

+CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 107 Jim Crowell, Liturgist
Liturgist: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

People: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Liturgist: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

People: And let them offer thanksgivings, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

+HYMN OF PRAISE "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" No. 32
Tune: ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION Liturgist

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn from sin, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from evil; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

+KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" (sung responsively) Cantor, Evan Adair
Lord Have Mercy.... Christ Have Mercy..... Lord Have Mercy

WORDS OF ASSURANCE I John 4

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God...God's love was revealed among us in this way: **God sent his only Son into the world so that we may live through him in this love. Thanks be to God!**

+ASSURANCE HYMN "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" No. 582
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. Tune: GLORY TO GOD

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Maggie Lauterer

ANTHEM "For the Beauty of the Earth" arr. John Rutter
(Text can be found in *Glory To God* hymnal #14)
TEXT: Foliott Sandford Pierpoint, 1864, alt.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 32:21-31; p. 29

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Acts 10:9-20; p.121

SERMON "The Perfect Church Part II" Rev. Maggie Lauterer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+HYMN OF RESPONSE "When We Are Living" No 822
Tune: SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. . . . 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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (using "debts")

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.

OFFERTORY

"Now Thank We All our God"
with Leslie Novilla, piano

Johann Cruger
arr. Mark Hayes

+DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+*HYMN*

"Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud" **No 11**
Verse 1 and 3 Tune: ABERYSTWYTH

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+**SENDING HYMN** ***"Lord, Prepare Me"*** **No. 701**
Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true...
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

+CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Hymn Improvisation

+Indicates those who are able may stand.

RUMPLE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church! Visitors, we hope that you will feel welcomed in your time with us today. We hope you will fill in the card in the pew so we can be in touch with you. Our church was organized in 1887 and is a member of Salem Presbytery, Synod of Mid-Atlantic in the Presbyterian Church USA. If you have any questions, our pastor and elders will be glad to help you.

Leading worship: Rev. Maggie Lauterer, Interim Pastor; Jim Crowell, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Jonathan Asbell, Accompanist; Lillon Henline, Acolyte; Rob, Jackie, Carlton and Austin Dyer, Ushers and Greeters

Child care is provided for children ages infant through 5 years old during worship in the Keys Church Nursery area downstairs staffed by Kelly Ginsberg and Claire Denness.

Volunteer NEXT Sunday: Sutton Henline

Children's Church: After "Time with the Children", all children ages K-2nd grade are invited to follow our adult leaders to the Butterfly Classroom upstairs for their own worship time. Children may be picked up by their families in the classroom after worship (from the lobby, take the stairs or the elevator to the top floor). **Volunteers NEXT Sunday: Darby Teander**

The flowers today are given in loving memory of Mike Novilla by his wife Leslie Novilla and their children.

Keep in your prayers...Nancy Trexler; Susan Wilson in the death of her father, Brian Womack's brother, Jay Womack; Bill Thorn's brother, Walter; Debra Norville's mother, Delores; Jim Burgess home from rehabilitation; Molly Bowden. Please contact Hazel that we may list other prayer concerns.

Following worship today join us for **cider on the lawn** and learn about the committees at Rumble at our **Stewardship Fair**. Representatives from each committee will be mingling telling you about their ministries and upcoming programs. Simply learn what's happening and become involved!

This week Don Saunders continues the 6-week course "The Church and Politics" for the Lunch and Learn series, 11:30-1:00 on Tuesdays.

Covenant Bible Study begins today at 3:00 in the church library. Come and see what it's all about! We will begin with the first class in an 8-wk segment called *Creating*. This course will explore the theme of Covenant throughout the Bible. Curious? Want to learn more? Wish to meet new people? Come and see what it's all about.

The Nominating Committee would like to solicit your suggestions for members of the Session Class of 2019. We recognize the contributions that so many people make to the ministry of this church both as officers, committee members, and outside the formal structure. Please be involved and concerned about our church's ministry by sharing your thoughts and prayers with us. Please see the insert in today's bulletin. The Nominating Committee will meet immediately after worship today.

A NEW Mission Opportunity! Rumble church will **partner with the Women's Fund of the Blue Ridge to provide coats for the Hospitality House** in October. Please bring any coats to share to the collection box in the Rumble lobby, now until October 9th. They are especially in need of larger men's and women's sizes, so if you've recently experienced weight loss, this is your opportunity to clean your closet! Help keep your brothers and sisters in Christ warm this winter!

Your Pastor Nominating Committee has closed the window for accepting new Pastor Information Forms (information to be used to discern a call to a church.) Our total number is just over 110 and upon review and reflection, we feel certain that God has placed our candidate before us. We have identified several pastors with whom we are interested and have begun interviewing by Skype. These interviews will continue for approximately two weeks when we will decide upon two or three candidates to interview in person. We listen for the Spirit to call one of these to serve alongside our congregation at Rumble Church. We thank you for your continued prayers.

Today's Worship Notes

Today's anthem, "For the Beauty of the Earth," uses the familiar text that is found on page 14 of our hymnal. The tune was written by John Rutter in 1980, and has become a favorite among singers all over the world.

Following the Benediction, you are invited to respond to God's blessing with "Lord, Prepare Me." The text is printed in your bulletin.

Church Income:

Weekly Offerings at Rumble

August 14	\$5,609	
August 21	\$4,283	Special Offering for Grandfather Home \$2,229.00
August 28	\$5,243	
September 4	\$7,260	
September 11	\$7,955	

This Week's Events

Sunday 9/18/2016

9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship
12:00 Cider on the Lawn
12:15 Nominating Committee
12:15 Worship Committee
3:00 Covenant
4:00 Middle School Youth (YC)
5:00 High School Youth (YC)

Monday 9/19/2016

4:00 Finance Committee (L)

Tuesday 9/20/2016

11:30-1:00 Lunch and Learn Series (L)
5:45 Missions Committee (L)

Wednesday 9/21/2016

11:00 Staff Meeting (L)
No KICKS or Fusion today
6:00 Handbell Choir
7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Saturday 9/24/2016

Youth will attend Christian Music Day at Carowinds