

The Order of Service for the Worship of God
July 16, 2017
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR 11:00

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Now Thank We All Our God" Johann Crüger, arr. Joel Raney
With Leslie Novilla, piano

+CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 119*
Accept our offering of praise, O God.
God's word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.
Give us life according to your word.
Your word is the joy of our hearts.
Let us worship God.

+HYMN OF PRAISE "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" No. 263
Tune: CORONATION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Gracious God we confess that we do not always listen to your instructions as we should. We hear your commands, but we make little effort to understand them. We hear your call to us, but we choose to ignore it. We opt for the easier path. Our faith is often shallow. We let the temptations of wealth, greed, power, and ambition choke out your words of love, compassion, justice, and peace. O God, forgive us, renew us, tend to us, so that we may incline our hearts to you and truly listen to your instructions for faithful discipleship in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+SILENT PRAYER

KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" (sung responsively)
Lord Have Mercy.... Christ Have Mercy..... Lord Have Mercy

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS
Hear the good news. Through Jesus Christ we have redemption and the forgiveness of sins. God hears. God cares. God forgives. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
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Thanks be to God. Amen.

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE "Gloria Patri"
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN 11:00 Kathy Beach

ANTHEM 8:45 "Ave Maria" Franz Schubert
Evan Adair, baritone

ANTHEM 11:00 "The Earth Is the Lord's" Carl Nygard, Jr.
The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof.
All creatures who live on the earth are the Lord's.
For who can rightly ascend the hill of the Lord,
And who may enter His house to hear His word?
The pure in heart and hand, such are the people of God who understand. *

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 55:10-13; p. 645

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 13:1-9; p. 47

SERMON Kathy Beach

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

+HYMN OF RESPONSE "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" No. 475
Tune: NETTLETON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from a Brief Statement 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. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

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.

OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFERTORY 8:45 "I Lay My Sins On Jesus" arr. Howard Helvey
11:00 "Ave Maria" Franz Schubert
Evan Adair, baritone

+DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, everything we have comes from you. Our hearts and lives overflow with abundance. With thanksgiving, we bring you these gifts. We pray that you will use our gifts to feed, serve, and bless others as we have been blessed. In Jesus Christ, we give and we pray. Amen.

WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

+SENDING HYMN "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me" No. 543
Tune: GREEN TYLER

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" John Wyeth, arr. Vicki Collinsworth
with Leslie Novilla, piano

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Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison

+Indicates those who are able may stand.

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WORSHIP NOTES

Leading worship: Kathy Beach, Pastor; (8:45) Jim Clabough (11:00) Caroline Parker, Liturgists; Evan Adair, Choir Director, Sanctuary Choir; Jonathan Asbell, Accompanist; Ushers and Greeters: (8:45) Cullie and Sylvia Tarleton (11:00) John and Eula Calvin, Sandra Mallonee, Rita White

Ordinary Time is a period of the church year. In the context of the church year the term “ordinary” does not mean “usual or average”; it means “not seasonal”. (An example of seasonal is Lent or Advent.) In Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the mystery of Christ, not in one specific aspect, but in all its aspects. The Scriptures during Ordinary Time help to instruct us on how to live out our Christian faith in our daily lives. The color for this season of growth is green.

Assistive Listening devices for worship are now available at Rumble! If you would like to use a “Sound Mate” while in worship, please see Kent Leonard (at the soundboard) or an usher.

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. Please ask an usher to direct you to the nursery. Volunteer July 23: Sylvia Tarleton

Children’s Church: After “Time with the Children”, all children ages K-2nd grade are invited to follow adult leaders to the Butterfly Classroom for their own worship time. Children may be picked up in the classroom after worship (from the lobby, take the stairs or the elevator to the top floor). Worship bags for children who remain in worship are available on the table near the Baptism font. Volunteers July 23: Jerry and Mary Hutchens

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of the July birthday girls: Eula Calvin, Karen Clabough, Katherine Holliday and Sylvia Tarleton.

I wish to thank Jonathan for four summers of duets and friendship, and wish him God’s best blessings as he continues his education. Leslie Novilla.

RUMPLE: CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

Welcome to all who have come to worship God at the Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church this morning. If you are a guest or a visitor, this church family welcomes you. We invite you to fill out a visitor card or leave your contact information on the fellowship pad. We’d love to get to know you and share information about the ministries and missions of Rumble with you. If you have questions, please speak to our pastor, Kathy, or to one of the ushers and greeters. Please remain after 11:00 worship and enjoy *Lemonade on the Lawn*.

The last Sunday for Jonathan Asbell will be July 23 and there will be a reception for him following the 11:00 worship.

The Presbyterian Women are hosting a baby shower for **Sarah Stanley on Sunday July 23** at 3:00 p.m. in the Rumble House. Drop in and celebrate with this young family as they welcome their first child. Sarah and Beau are expecting a baby girl!

The Second Summer Prayer Service will be Wednesday, July 26, at 6:00 in the sanctuary. This service will focus on prayers for the church and the world. The service will include Scripture, silence, special music, and prayer. Childcare will be provided.

Rumple will host a Welcome to Rumple Inquirers’ Reception and Class at 9:45 on Sunday July 30, in the Pastor’s study. Light breakfast items and coffee will be served. Kathy and members of Rumple’s leadership and Welcome Team will be present to share information and to get to know folks who are new to Rumple and who want to learn more about Rumple’s mission and ministries. Please let us know if you plan to attend by calling or emailing Hazel at office@rumplechurch.org or 828-295-7675.

New Adult Study started July 11. Join us for another “Lunch and Learn” series on our newest confession, *The Confession of Belhar*. Tuesday for 4 weeks at 11:30 in the church library, Don Saunders will lead this class exploring *The Confession of Belhar* that arose in the context of apartheid in South Africa. Cost is \$8 for a study book and you can sign up by contacting the church office or sign up on the table in the lobby.

Grandfather Home for Children Sunday will be August 6. We are pleased to welcome back John Cockman and his family who will help us lead worship with music and word. For this special occasion, we will have only one worship service at 11:00.

The Love House Habitat Faith Build update is in July’s *Slate & Stone*. Saturday build day volunteers (groups of 6-8, morning and/or afternoon) and lunch preparers are needed in August and September. Open dates are 8/12, 8/26, 9/2, 9/9, 9/23 and 9/30. Contact Tim Harris (828-262-1067) or timharris_2@charter.net.

Keep in your prayers: Jeff Stewart, Buz Helms, upcoming surgery, Richard and Rebecca Holshouser, JoAnn Jones, Vicki Cawthorne’s two sisters Susan and Sandy, Matt Jay and his children Sadie, Calvin, and Eleanor; Brenda Lentz; Nancy Trexler, Jim Burgess, Cecil Brandon. Please contact Hazel, in the church office, if you have other prayer concerns we can add.

Sunday 7/16/2017

8:45 Worship (S)
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship (S)
12:00 Lemonade on the Lawn

Monday 7/17/2017

10:00 Circle 3
4:00 Finance Committee (L)

Tuesday 7/18/2017

Rotary Blood Drive at Rumble
11:30 Bible Study (L)
The Confession of Belhar

Sunday 7/23/2017

8:45 Worship (S)
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship (S)
12:00 Reception for Jonathan Asbell
3:00 Baby Shower for Sarah Stanley (RH)

Wednesday 7/26/2017

6:00 Prayer Service (S)

S - Sanctuary
ACU – Adult Classroom Upstairs
FH – Fellowship Hall
RH – Rumble House
L – Library
K – Keys Music Center