

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla
Worship Service on Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021

Pre-Service Music: *Hymn to Our Protector* - Donna J. Krieger

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: *Lord, I Want to be a Christian* - Sandra Eithun

Call to Worship

O Lord, satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us.

Prosper for us the work of our hands.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Opening Hymn #475: *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (please stand)

Call to Confession (from Psalm 90)

Have pity, O Lord, on your servants.

Teach us how short our life is so that we may become wise. Let us in humility confess our sins, and ask for forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you are the maker of justice and the source of righteousness, the one who hears the cries of the suffering and who fills the hunger of the poor.

**Forgive us, O God, when we fail to reflect your just love:
when we have food and food leftover, yet we do not share with
any in need; when we have power for good and power for change,
yet we use it only for our own self-preservation; when we have the**

words of the prophets before us, yet we cover our ears lest they make us uncomfortable. Forgive us, O Lord, and teach us to follow in your way.

[take time for personal reflection and confession]

All of God's children say: **Amen!**

Declaration of Forgiveness *from Psalm 146*

The Lord always keeps his promises:

He lifts those who have fallen; he loves his righteous people, and forgives us all of our sins.

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Passing the Peace of Christ

Gloria #583: *Glory to God repeat twice*

Time for sharing of joys and concerns, and the prayer list.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (debts and debtors)

Worship leader will lead the prayers. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

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

Hymn: #721 *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* 1, 3, 4 (remain seated)

Prayer for Illumination *from Psalm 19*

Let us pray: The commandment of the Lord gives light to the eyes.

Lord open our eyes, ears, hearts, and minds to receive your word this day.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 4:12 - 16

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10: 17 - 31

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: *Our Great High Priest*

Jonathan Kimball

Affirmation of Faith – Apostles Creed Ecumenical Version (please stand)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sending Hymn#724: *O Jesus, I Have Promised* all verses (remain standing)

Benediction: (remain standing)

Speak to reassure me. Give me grace to follow.
Speak to make me listen. Give me strength to share.

Go in peace. Live in love. **Serve the Lord**

Postlude: *Down to the River to Pray* - Mark Hayes (please be seated)

Scriptures are read from the NRSV translation. Music presented by Lorie Francis. Worship led by Javier Valentín-Sívico and sermon provided by Jonathan Kimball.

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Announcements

The John Calvin Presbytery continues to offer the Covid Emergency Grant. The grant offers to match \$2 for every \$1 raised up to \$2,500. We are grateful for your generosity in the past. During October and November, we are asking for your help again with donations to go to Russell House.

The JCPDA is requesting Blue Bucket Brigade donations. Since gathering the items and getting them to Springfield continues to be difficult, Outreach Committee is asking for monetary donations again this year. Thank you in advance for your generosity.