

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla
Worship Service for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022

Pre-Service Music: *His Eye Is on the Sparrow* - C.E. Walz

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: *One There Is Above All Others* - Robert Wetzler

Introit #401: *Here in This Place* vs. 1

Call to Worship

The psalmist declares,

**I am like a green olive tree in the house of God.
I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.
I will thank you, God, forever, because of what you have done.
In the presence of the faithful let us proclaim God's name, for it is good.**

Let us worship God!

Let us pray:

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen

Opening Hymn #12: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* (please stand)

Call to Confession

In Christ, all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things.

Trusting in Christ, let us seek God's forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful Savior, you stand beside us, yet we prefer to stand on our own.
You choose us, yet we choose worry. You attend to us, yet we attend to our work. Forgive us, gentle Teacher. Call us by name and visit us once more that we might find at your feet our joy, our purpose, and our hope. Amen.**

Declaration of Pardon

Listen, I will tell you a mystery! By his body and his cross,
Jesus reconciles all who were once estranged.
Christ in you is the glory of God. Believe the good news.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

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

Passing the Peace of Christ

Gloria #583: *Glory to God*

Hymn #762: *When the Poor Ones* vs. 1, 2, and 4

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

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

Worship leader will lead the prayers. God of grace. **Hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit we entrust those spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping, as we pray the words your Son taught us to pray:

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 #51: *I Will Be Your God* (seated)

Prayer for Illumination

**Living God, help us so to hear your Word
that we may truly understand;
that, understanding, we may believe;
and believing, we may follow your way in all faithfulness,
seeking your honor and glory in all that we do. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 18:1-10

Gospel Lesson: Luke 10:38 – 42

Epistle Lesson: Colossians 1: 15 - 29

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

Sermon: Destined for Glory Jonathan Kimball

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings (please stand)

Doxology #606: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Prayer of Dedication:

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith The Invisible God (seated)

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things were created through him; all were created for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Christ is the head of the body, the Church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he may be first in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell; and Christ has reconciled to God all things, both on earth and in heaven, making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen. (Colossians 1:15-20)

Sending Hymn #745: *Now Go in Joy* Sing two times (stand)

Benediction: (remain standing)

Conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone. (Colossians 4:5-6)

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

Postlude: *God of Ages* - Roger Summers (please be seated)

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