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

Aug. 28, 2022

**Pre-Service Music:** Walk Worthy – Joseph Martin

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Prelude:** *Psalm of Stillness* – Tracey Craig McKibbe

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

Call to Worship

God welcomes us all.

Whoever we are, wherever we are, however we are,

God welcomes us all.

## **Prayer of the Day**

O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

**Opening Hymn #509:** All Who Hunger Gather Gladly (please stand)

## **Call to Confession**

We turn away from God,

often not knowing any better.

Yet God keeps inviting us

and keeps reaching to us in love.

In penitence and faith,

let us turn towards God and seek forgiveness.

## **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, in Jesus, you show us a way that is humble and that seeks the good of others. We confess that we go our own way; we elevate ourselves and ignore the needs of others. Free us from the temptation to pursue our own pleasure only. Help us to live in harmony with all your people, sharing one world and eating around one table, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Pause for Silent Prayers of Confession

Fill us with your peace and with your mercy. Free us from the destruction of sin and restore us to a life lived in you. Amen.

#### **Declaration of Pardon**

With abundant grace and mercy that reaches wide,

God gathers us and cleanses us, making us new, making us whole.

This is 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

<u>**Hymn #186:**</u> Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table (seated)

<u>Time for sharing joys and concerns, and the prayer list.</u>

# Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

Worship leader will lead the prayers.

Merciful God. Receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; 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 #453:** Open Your Ears, O Faithful People (seated)

## **Prayer for Illumination**

Everlasting God, whose tenacious love holds us: make our hearts the house of your truth, and make our minds the realm of your wisdom so that our fellowship will become your dwelling place, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson: Proverbs 25: 6-7

**Epistle Lesson:** Hebrews 13:1 – 8, 15 - 16

**Gospel Lesson**: Luke 14:1, 7 - 14

The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon:** Our Place at the Table Mary Kwantes

**<u>Affirmation of Faith</u> Verses from the Book of Revelation** (please stand)

We say together in faith:

Holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, and is, and is to come. We believe in God the Father, who created all things: for by his will they were created and have their being. We believe in God the Son, who was slain: for with his blood, he purchased us for God, from every tribe and language, from every people and nation. We believe in God the Holy Spirit: the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!' Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

**<u>Dedication of Tithes and Offerings</u>** (remain standing)

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

<u>Prayer of Dedication:</u> (seated)

God of abundance; you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Sending Hymn#372: O For a World vs. 1, 2, 3, 5 (stand)

**Charge and Benediction:** 2 Corinthians 16:13 (remain standing)

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

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

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