

Prospect Presbyterian Church
Order for Worship
August 26, 2018

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Greeting

God is good.
All the time.
And all the time.
God is good.

Call To Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever.
Jesus has the words of eternal life;
he is the Holy One of God.
Let us worship God.

***Hymn #369 Blessing and Honor**

**1. Blessing and honor and glory and power,
wisdom and riches and strength evermore,
be to the Lamb who our battle has won,
whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.**

**2. Let all the heavens sound forth Jesus' name;
let all the earth sing his glory and fame.
Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flower
echo these praises and tell of God's power.**

**3. Ever ascending the song and the joy,
ever descending the love from on high;
blessing and honor and glory and praise:
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.**

**4. Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;
take we the robe and the harp and the palm;
sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,
dying in weakness but rising to reign.**

***Call to Confession**

***Confession of Sin**

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You call us to love and serve you, yet we choose false and empty idols. You call us to new life in Christ, yet we turn aside and fall back in fear. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us, by your Word and Spirit, the wisdom and strength to love and serve you faithfully; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Words of Grace**

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

***The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
 (A sign of peace is exchanged.)

***Response: Hymn #547 Go, My Children, With My Blessing vs 2**

“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Here you heard my dear Son’s story;
 here you touched him, saw his glory.
 Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**Prayer for Illumination****First reading: Ephesians 6:10-20****page 1020**

The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Children's Chat**Rita Boyer, Certified Educator****Second reading: John 6:56-69****page 929**

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Sermon*Tools for Faith and Peace***Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn #846 Fight The Good Fight

**1. Fight the good fight with all thy might.
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
thy joy and crown eternally.**

**2. Run the straight race through God's good grace;
lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.
Life with its way before us lies;
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.**

**3. Cast care aside; lean on thy guide.
God's boundless mercy will provide.
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.**

**4. Faint not nor fear: God's arms are near.
God changeth not, and thou art dear.
Only believe, and thou shalt see
that Christ is all in all to thee.**

Affirmation of Faith- Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Sung Response: **“Don’t Be Afraid”**

Offering

Musical Offering

***Praise God (Hymn #608)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise Christ, all people here below;
 praise Holy Spirit evermore;
 praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

***Prayer of Dedication /Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Sending the Church into Mission

The Mission of Prospect Church

To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.

***Hymn #832 Here on Jesus Christ I will stand.**

Refrain:

**Here on Jesus Christ I will stand.
 He's the solid rock of my life.
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**1. There's no other place I can hide
 till the storm that rages subsides.
 My voice cries to God from the flood,
 and I'm saved because of his blood.
 (Refrain)**

**2. It is not the work of my hands
 that has washed away all my sins.
 I'm redeemed, and all of my days,
 Jesus Christ will be my heart's praise.
 (Refrain)**

**3. When my days on this earth are done,
 and I stand at God's holy throne,
 my heart will not have any fear;
 in Christ's righteousness I am here.
 (Refrain)**

***Benediction and Congregational Response**

Hymn #305, "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" v 2

**2. Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!**

**In bold accord,
come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!**

Postlude