

**PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**October 20, 2019**

**GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

**Prelude**

**Greeting**

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

**Call To Worship**

God's word is sweeter than honey, enduring through the ages.  
**Our lives are short. Even so, we grow weary.**  
 Come, engage the Source of Life. Here are wisdom and energy.  
**We come into God's house that is a refuge.**  
 Come, rest in God's presence and renew your spirit.  
**We will dine on God's word, and drink of the Holy Spirit.**  
 Let us worship God.

**\*Hymn #612 We Praise You, O God**

**1. We praise you, O God,  
 our Redeemer, Creator;  
 in grateful devotion  
 our tribute we bring.  
 We lay it before you;  
 we kneel and adore you;  
 we bless your holy name;  
 glad praises we sing.**

**2. We worship you, God of  
 our fathers and mothers;  
 through trial and tempest  
 our guide you have been.**

**When perils o'ertake us,  
 you will not forsake us,  
 and with your help, O Lord,  
 our struggles we win.**

**3. With voices united  
 our praises we offer  
 and gladly our songs of  
 thanksgiving we raise.  
 With you, Lord, beside us,  
 your strong arm will guide us.  
 To you, our great Redeemer,  
 forever be praise!**

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Confession of Sin**

**when we forego peace for easy resolution; when we trade justice for convenience;  
 when we doubt whether you are real enough, whether we are good enough,  
 whether your love is strong enough to overcome the destructive powers of our world.**

**Forgive us, O God, and move us to know your transformative grace. 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 #441 Hear The Good News v 1**

**1. Hear the good news of salvation:  
 Jesus died to show God's love.  
 Such great kindness! Such great mercy!  
 Come to us from heaven above.**

**Jesus Christ, how much I love you!  
 Jesus Christ, you save from sin!  
 How I love you! Look upon me.  
 Love me still and cleanse within.**

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD****Prayer for Illumination**

**First reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5**

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

**Children's Chat**

Rita Boyer, Certified Christian Educator

**Second reading: Luke 18:1-8**

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**Sermon**

**"Prayer and Justice"**

**Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer**

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD****\*Hymn #469 Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying**

**Lord, listen to your children praying.  
 Lord, send your Spirit in this place.  
 Lord, listen to your children praying.  
 Send us love; send us power; send us grace.**

**\*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**

**Offering**

Musical Offering

“Roll Down Justice”

By Mark Miller

Deb Craft, Sally Chew and Dick Lunde, soloists

\*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 and 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 Rick and others**

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 #462 I Love To Tell The Story**

1. I love to tell the story  
of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory,  
of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story,  
because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings  
as nothing else could do.

**Refrain:**

I love to tell the story;  
'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.

2. I love to tell the story;  
'tis pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it,  
more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story,  
for some have never heard  
the message of salvation  
from God's own holy Word. (Refrain)

3. I love to tell the story,  
for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting  
to hear it, like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory,  
I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story  
that I have loved so long. (Refrain)

**\*Benediction and Congregational Response**

**#745 Now Go In Joy**

Now go in joy to spread the Word  
till all people have heard:  
God embraces all! Follow, then,  
the disciples' call:

tend your neighbors with loving care  
in daily work and prayer.  
God's own grace empower you spirit. Amen.

**Postlude**