

Holly Presbyterian Church
The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sept 25, 2022

Announcements and Pennies from Heaven

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

One: Let the mind of Christ be in you-

Many: One mind, one heart, one joy.

One: Let the Spirit of Christ be with you-

Many: One spirit, one body, one love.

***Opening Hymn** (p. 16 in *Supplemental Songbook*)

Sanctuary (sing two times)

***Prayer of Confession**

One: Let us affirm our faith in a merciful and loving God as we approach our time of confession.

All: We believe in God, who is love and who has given the earth to all people.

We believe in Jesus Christ, who came to heal us, and to free us from all forms of oppression.

We believe in the Spirit of God, who works in and through all who are turned towards the truth.

We believe in the community of faith, which is called to be at the service of all people.

We believe in God's power to transform and transfigure, fulfilling the promise of a new heaven and a new earth where love and peace will flourish.

One: Let us begin again, welcoming the transforming power of the Triune God into our lives by confessing our sins and brokenness before God and one another.

**All: Compassionate God,
you open your heart to those in need,
and to your aching creation.**

**We confess that sometimes we turn away,
so that we do not have to see pain, suffering, or
injustice.**

**We don't like to feel uncomfortable or pressed into
service.**

**Forgive us, and give us courage to love others as
you love us.**

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

One: Jesus says, "Take heart. It is I. Do not be afraid." Hear this good news: in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Many: Let us live, then, as forgiven people. Let us love the Lord our God with all of our being. And let us love our neighbor as ourselves. Amen.

Come as a Child

(We set apart this time specifically for children as we reflect upon the words of scripture for the day. There is no need to move from where you are, unless you find it helpful to come closer. Adults, too, are invited to listen as a child might and to participate.)

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Pew Bible (OT) page 692

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Reading** Luke 16:19-31 Pew Bible (NT)
page 75

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Rev. Brooke Pickrell

***Hymn** 354 Guide My Feet (first four verses)

Prayers of the People

One: We recall that many people were brought to Jesus so that he might lay his hands upon them and bless them. So now, as then, in our prayers we bring others to Jesus that they may be blessed by his presence.

We bring to mind those whom we love and think of often.

(silent and spoken community prayers)

One: Lord, in your mercy.

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: We bring those whom we find it hard to love or forgive.

(silent prayers)

One: Lord, in your mercy.

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: We pray for the world in which you have placed us.

(silent and spoken community prayers)

One: Lord, in your mercy.

Many: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Invitation to the Offering

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn** 446 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

***Charge**

***Blessing**

Postlude

*The Prayer of Confession is from *The Iona Community Worship Book*, and from liturgy adapted from The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

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