13th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME** 

#### **Prelude (A time for Silence and Reflection)** Welcome

### **Opening Prayer**

L: From daily worries that distract and distort your life-giving path,

P: gather us, O God.

L: From suffering that overwhelms and weighs heavy on our hearts,

- P: gather us, O God.
- L: From temptations to escape through worldly addictions and comforts,
- P: gather us, O God.

L: We choose you and Christ's way. Help us attend to your presence with us in worship. P: Let us worship God.

#### **Opening Hymn** GTG #509

"All who hunger, Gather Gladly" (verses 1 and 3) All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

(\*=please stand if you are able)

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All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread. Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

#### **Call to Confession**

The path of faithfulness is oftentimes difficult and full of obstacles of our own making. Let us humbly approach the God who calls and creates, confessing the sins that turn us away from new life in Christ.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Holy God. vou formed us from the dust of the earth and breathed life into our bodies. Yet we take these lives for granted, choosing destructive paths and unhealthy habits. We turn to idols that addict and enslave, instead of the liberating resources Christ provides. Forgive our foolishness, God our Redeemer, and grant us the wisdom to follow you in faith. Amen.

#### Silent Confession

#### **Assurance Pardon**

Our God, who restores and resurrects, grants us new life in Jesus Christ. Know that you are forgiven and live fully in joyful freedom.

#### All: Thanks be to God! Amen!

\*Gloria Patri GTG#648

"Thankful Hearts and voices Raise" Thankful Hearts and voices raise; Tell everyone what God has done. Let everyone who seeks the Lord Rejoice and bear the name of Christ. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### **Praver for Illumination**

Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. May we approach your Word today, Holy God, with the reverence and respect it deserves. Let us be intentional in our listening and focused in our minds as we hear your Word read and proclaimed today. Amen.

#### Scripture Reading

Isaiah 41:10, Joshua 1:9, Psalm 23:4, Psalm 118:6

Don't fear, because I am with you; don't be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will surely help you; I will hold you with my righteous strong hand. I've commanded you to be brave and strong, haven't I? Don't be alarmed or terrified, because the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no danger because you are with me. Your rod and your staff— they protect me. The Lord is for me—I won't be afraid. What can anyone do to me?

L: This is the word God. P: Thanks be to God.

#### Anthem:

Scripture Reading:

#### Matthew 6:25-34, Philippians 4:6-7

"Therefore, I say to you, don't worry about your life, what you'll eat or what you'll drink, or about your body, what you'll wear. Isn't life more than food and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds in the sky. They don't sow seed or harvest grain or gather crops into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Aren't you worth much more than they are? Who among you by worrying can add a single moment to your life? And why do you worry about clothes? Notice how the lilies in the field grow. They don't wear themselves out with work, and they don't spin cloth. But I say to you that even Solomon in all of his splendor wasn't dressed like one of these. If God dresses grass in the field so beautifully, even though it's alive today and tomorrow it's thrown into the furnace, won't God do much more for you, you people of weak faith? Therefore, don't worry and say, 'What are we going to eat?' or 'What are we going to drink?' or 'What are we going to wear?' Gentiles long for all these things. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them. Instead, desire first and foremost God's kingdom and God's righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore, stop worrying about tomorrow, because tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. Don't be anxious about anything; rather, bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus.

L: This is the word of the Lord. P: Thanks be to God.

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<b>Hymn</b> GTG#775	"I Want Jesu

#### Words of Gratitude

We have more to offer than we recognize or realize. God has given us abundant gifts. Let us faithfully respond to our generous God by presenting our tithes and offerings.

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all blessings flow" all blessings flow Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Holy God, take these gifts and bless them for good use to your glory. May these tokens of our gratitude be of service in blessing the poor, feeding the hungry, clothing and sheltering those struggling to survive. Use these gifts to further Christ's mission and ministry in a hurting world. Amen.

Prayers of the People (See insert)

#### \*Lord's Prayer

**Hymn** GTG#192

Announcements

#### **Benediction**

God is Good! All the time! All the Time! God is Good! God has set before us life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live. May the grace, hope, peace and love of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with us all. Amen.

#### The Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you People: And also with you

#### Amen

Postlude

ANXIETY"

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sus to Walk with Me"

#### IN GRACE

ather of Us All" t God has given to everyone is each a place to serve her to see his will be done gs more than we deserve.

"Lord, the Light of your Love is Shining"

# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022



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#### **EVENTS HAPPENING IN 2022**

- In person Hybrid worship at 11AM
- English Bible Study Thursday's at 11:00AM
- Spanish Bible Study will be Wednesday's at 10:00AM

- Prayer Time on Friday's at 11AM via zoom.

- Starting in September we will have a Spanish service once a month on the last Sunday of the month with Communion at 1PM. The dates are September 25<sup>th</sup>, October 30<sup>th</sup>, November 27<sup>th</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup>.

- Staring in September During the week the Hispanic group will gather at different homes on Wednesday's at 11AM for Prayer, Revival and Bible Studies. Please see Pastor Jeniffer for more info.

Mujeres Hispanas Latinas Presbiterianas
Encuentro X "Vivimos de esperanza en esperanza"
14 al 16 de octubre, 2022 – Orlando FL
The Celeste Hotel, Orlando, a Tribute Portfolio Hotel
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Event:Mujeres Presbiterianas Hispanas Latinas

- Please submit your picture for the Church directory. If you need more information contact Pastor Jeniffer or Lindsay Wilkens.

-Zoom worship Service at 11:00AM By Computer/Por Computadora Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/870270865

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**Prayers and Praise** Please pray for Everyone in leadership Please pray for Keeping Communities Safe Please pray for Children/ families Please pray for The Boateng Family Please pray for The Otu's family Please pray for The Supina/Ruess family Please pray for The Sevilla's family Please pray for Those who harm Please pray for Peace in the middle of violence Please pray for The Dyckman's Family Please pray for The Ozuna Family Please pray for The Reda's family Please pray for People struggling with cancer. For healing Please pray for For the physical and spiritual shape of our nation Please pray for For leaders, people in a position of authority Please Pray for Lima family Please pray for Israel and Palestine Please Pray for the Denzer Family Please pray for Heather Blenkinsopp

#### PRAISE SONGS AND HYMNS

#### "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me; when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

#### "Lord, the Light of your Love is Shining"

1 Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us; set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.

Refrain Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Father's glory. Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy. Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

2 Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance; by the blood I may enter your brightness.Search me; try me; consume all my darkness. Shine on me; shine on me. (*Refrain*)

3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness; ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me; shine on me. (*Refrain*)

## **Prayers of the People**

Gather us, God, under your wings. Shelter us from the news of this world. Grant us refuge and respite so we can be still and remember we are yours. Our spirits dim at the devastating scenes we witness on the nightly news. We seek your light, but our hope fades in the face of overwhelming need.

As people of faith, we dare to pray for a better, more just world, claiming your love in Jesus Christ that welcomes and includes all creation. Hear us as we pray especially for:

Refugees and houseless adults and children... People in countries ravaged by conflict and war... Political leaders working for peace and international harmony... All who strive to save the earth from devastation and destruction...

You are holy, God of majesty, and your Spirit is everywhere guiding us to beauty, truth and goodness. As summer months roll into fall and we reembrace work and school routines, we praise you for the many ways you show up for us, even when we are distracted or lost. Hear us as we praise you especially for:

The love of our families...

The strength and support of friends...

The communities to which we belong, people who know us by name...

Encouragement and kindness that keep us going when the road gets rough...

You make all things new, Resurrecting God, and we pray for the renewal of our world, the healing of wounds, the righting of wrongs, and the strengthening of your people. Hear us as we pray especially for:

Families suffering from separation...

Those isolated by sickness or grief...

Those suffering with addiction and disease...

Those seeking escape from life itself...

We praise you, God of Glory, for your attention and your presence with us in prayer. We thank you for being in relationship with us. Hear us now, as we collectively pray the prayer Christ taught us saying, "Our Father...".