

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Acolyte Bringing in the light of Christ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Prelude *Aria* G. F. Handel
Aaron Foster, *organist*

Worship in Song arr. Ovid Young
Brethren, We Have Met to Worship
Trudy Hatton and Cathy Wilhlem, *duet*

Call to Worship Rev. Richard Wright

Leader: O God, you summon the day to dawn, you teach the morning to waken the earth.

All: Great is your name. Great is your love.

Leader: For you the valleys shall sing for joy, the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

All: Great is your name. Great is your love.

Leader: For you the monarchs of the earth shall bow, the poor and persecuted shall shout for joy.

All: Great is your name. Great is your love.

Leader: Your love and mercy shall last for ever, fresh as the morning, sure as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

All: Great is your name. Great is your love.

Invocation Rev. Richard Wright

* Hymn of Praise 54 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS
The Sanctuary Ensemble

Old Testament Reading Rev. Richard Wright

Genesis 12:1-3; 21:1-3
(pages 9 and 16 in the pew Bible)

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us . . .

All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon James Aycock

Moment of Gratitude Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Offertory arr. Carlton Young

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

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(The text may be found in Hymn 231)

* Response *Doxology* OLD 100TH

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.*

Old Testament Reading Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Genesis 22:1-14

(page 17 in the pew Bible)

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us . . .

All: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Preparation Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and from You no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Message Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Transmitting Blessing

Musical Meditation Albin Whitworth

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Aaron Foster, *organist*

Prayers of the People Rev. Ray Hatton

The Lord's Prayer Rev. Ray Hatton

*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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

* Response 252 *Gloria Patri* GLORIA PATRI

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*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning is now
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Hymn of Response 34 LEONI

The God of Abraham Praise

The Sanctuary Ensemble

The Welcoming of New Members

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place; we offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, by God's grace.

Commission and Blessing Rev. Richard Wright

Leader: Your love and mercy shall last for ever, fresh as the morning, sure as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

All: Great is your name. Great is your love.

* Benediction Rev. Ray Hatton

* Acolyte Taking the light of Christ into the World

* Postlude Michael A. Johnson

Trumpet Tune
Aaron Foster, *organist*