First Presbyterian Church

Catlettsburg, Kentucky

"COR MEUM TIBI OFFERO DOMINE PROMPTE ET SINCERE"

"My Heart I Offer to You Lord Promptly and Sincerely" September 17, 2023

We Gather Around the Word

Prelude

June Swinford

*Call to Worship

Leader: No matter how far we wander from you. O God.

People: your steadfast love finds us.

Leader: No matter how unjust the world seems to us, O God,

People: your steadfast righteousness sustains us.

Leader: No matter how vulnerable our lives seem to us, O God,

People: your steadfast presence gives us hope.

Leader: No matter how unloved and uncared for we feel. O God.

People: you hear our cries and answer our prayers.

*Song of Praise #459 "Come, All Christians, Be Committed"

*Prayer of the Day

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, since you delay the punishments which we have deserved and daily draw on ourselves, grant that we may not indulge ourselves but carefully consider how often and in how many different ways we have provoked thy wrath against us. May we learn humbly to present ourselves to thee for pardon, and with true repentance implore thy mercy. With all our heart we desire to submit ourselves to thee, whether thou chastise us, or according to thine infinite goodness, forgive us. Let our condition be ever blessed, not by flattering ourselves in our apathy, but by finding thee to be our kind and bountiful Father, reconciled to us in thine only-begotten Son. Amen.

*Declaration of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

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.

Concerns of the Church

The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

We Proclaim the Word

The Gospel

John 15: 18-27

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to you ,O Christ.

Children's Sermon

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Hymn

#411 "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION

The Epistle

Acts 21: 1: 14

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Homily

"Steadfastness"

We Respond to the Word

*Hymn #510 "Am I a Soldier of the Cross" ARLINGTON The Affirmation of Faith

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; 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 The Giving of Tithes and Offerings *The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures, here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holu Ghost, Amen

We Take the World to the World

*Hvmn #719 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" AR HYD Y DOS

*The Charge and Blessing **Postlude**

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^{*} The word catholic is Latin for "Universal". We are saying we believe in all Christians, the Holy Christian Church.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

- * Please remember to bring cleaning supplies and personal care items for AAPM Clean Start.
- *Sept. 20, 2023 –"Mid-Week Manna Pot-Luck Dinner at 6pm Please read the 5th chapter of Romans.
- *Sept. 24, 20232- Session Meeting after morning worship.

Coram Deo: Living before the Face of God

"Paul's unwavering dedication to God's priorities makes him an example of how to remain calm, sober and reliable..... when others give up. This is STEADFASTNESS.

Current Session Members

| 2023 Linda McKenzie Jim Swinford | J | 2025 Andy Brown Mary Caudill | |
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