PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dale Jackson

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.

WE DEPART

COMMISSIONING THE YOUTH MISSION TRIP Dale Jackson

* HYMN 525 Here I Am, Lord

* BENEDICTION Dale Jackson

POSTLUDE Rachel McLean Recuerdo New York Astor Piazzolla

Lynda Nadkarni and Marika Floros requested *I Danced in the Morning*, text by British hymn writer Sydney Carter. The text is set to American Shaker melody *Simple Gifts. I Danced in the Morning* captured the spirit of the 1960s protest movement in the United States. It became a sacred equivalent for songs by Pete Seeger in the late 1950s, including "Where have all the flower's gone" and "To everything turn" (later made even more popular by Peter, Paul, and Mary), as well as Bob Dylan's "Blowin' in the wind" (1962). While the direct – even, for some, sacrilegious – language accompanied by the folk acoustic guitar bordered on heresy for some; for others, these songs were a breath of fresh air. "Lord of the Dance" brought this sound and spirit into the church, especially in services designed to reach young people.

Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

July 22, 2018 ~ 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME



* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE Theme from Schindler's List

Laura McLean John Williams

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Michael Lynch

When we seek justice for the other, when we love kindness more than ever,

we live as God asks us to live.

When we walk humbly through life, when we offer mercy to those who hurt us,

we are the blessing God hopes we will be.

When we are willing to look foolish by following Jesus, when we choose weakness rather than power,

we reflect the One who is in our midst.

^{*} You are invited to stand if able.

* HYMN 302

I Danced in the Morning

* INVITATION TO PRAYER

Victor Juister

If we want to truly live in God's presence, we must live as God's faithful people. Let us begin by confessing all the mistakes we have made, the wrongs we have done, the people we have hurt. Join me as we pray together, saying,

* PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS (Unison)

Although we believe we are experts at faithfulness, Holy God, we must confess we are unskilled workers at doing good for others. Too often, we turn a deaf ear to the cries of people we have judged to be fools. We easily scoff at those we believe have nothing to teach us or share with us.

How foolish, Searching God, how foolish we are! Forgive us and restore us to your goodness. Then, send us forth to search for all who sit in the shadowed corners of our world, yearning for someone to come and find them, even as Jesus came to find us.

Silent prayers

* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Josh Ranft

What has God done to us - shown mercy! What has God done for us - forgiven us! This is the good news for us. We will not boast, for it is not our doing. We will give thanks to God for such grace and hope. Amen.

* HYMN 391 verse 1

Take My Life

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord to Thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

WE LISTEN

Sylvia Harvin

* HYMN FOR UNDERSTANDING 324 (vs 2) Open My Eyes That I May See Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth Thou sendest clear; And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear. Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready my God, Thy will to see; Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

SCRIPTURE

Micah 6:18 – Kaki Lynch Matthew 28:16-20 – Ethan Ranft

THE SENIORS SHARE THEIR PLANS

* HYMN 405

What Does the Lord Require

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

Amanda Schwarz

Let us joyfully share our abundance with others, as we trust in God who provides for all our needs. Let us present our tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY Rhapsody for Clarinet

Natalie Lisle Willson Osborne

* HYMN Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow with Alleluias Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one. Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS

Alvssa Schwarz

May we always be foolish enough to offer our gifts to you, Generous God, for you use them to bring justice to the oppressed, to bring laughter to those who mourn, and to offer wonder to little children. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Dale Jackson