

Community **Presbyterian Church**

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinal Time 25 September 2022

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements
Prelude

*Call to Worship

(One) Almighty God, you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit.

(All) Let us spread this gift throughout the world by our love for one another. That it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(One) Come, Let us worship the God from whom all our blessings flow and who dwells with us today.

(All) We will praise the One who lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

Opening Prayer

*Hymn (123)

Fairest Lord Jesus

- (1) Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son, thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown!
- (2) Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring:
 Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
 who makes the woeful heart to sing.
- (3) Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host:
 Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, than all the angels heaven can boast.
- (4) Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 146

(One) Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

(All) Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

(One) Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever:

(All) who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

(One) The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

(All) The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

Prayer of Confession

(All) God of mercy, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen

Silence

Response

Hear Our Prayer O'Lord

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord; incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading New Testament Reading Gospel Reading Amos 6:1a, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:12-19 Luke 16:19-31

Sermon

*Hymn (66)

To God be the Glory

(1) To God be the glory, great things he hath done; so loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done.

- (2) O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [Refrain]
- (3) Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

RESPONSE

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in the one triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ, that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, and that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells. Amen.

-Adapted from the Belhar Confession

Offertory

*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge Benediction Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Games Up Here

Join us for "Games up here" on Monday, September 26th at the Presbyterian Annex at 7:00pm.

Wednesday Bible Study

Join us this **Wednesday, September 28th at 5:00pm** at the Annex as we explore a *theology of play*.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Join the men of Lake City this **Thursday, September 29th at 7:00am** for good food, prayer, and Bible study.

Prayer requests and prayer list

If you'd like to submit a prayer request to be included in the Sunday worship Prayers of the People or to be added to our weekly prayer list, please fill out a blue card BEFORE the service and give it to Jason. You can also submit your prayer request early via email: cpcprayerlist@gmail.com or text Nora at 719-220-0354.

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SCRIPTURES

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

6:1a Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

- 6:4 Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall;
- 6:5 who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music;
- 6:6 who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
- 6:7 Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

1 Timothy 6:12-19

- 6:12 Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.
- 6:13 In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you
- 6:14 to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 6:15 which he will bring about at the right time--he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

- 6:16 It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.
- 6:17 As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.
- 6:18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share,
- 6:19 thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Luke 16:19-31

- 16:19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.
- 16:20 And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores,
- 16:21 who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.
- 16:22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.
- 16:23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.
- 16:24 He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.'

16:25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.

16:26 Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.'

16:27 He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house--

16:28 for I have five brothers--that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.'

16:29 Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.'

16:30 He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.'

16:31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"