Wycliffe Presbyterian Church

Welcome - To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are strangers and seek fellowship - welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Office Phone: 757-496-2620 Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Wycliffe is following Christ to renew our church & the community.

Join in this mission through worship, by connecting with others, by contributing your talents and resources in service to others, and through cultivating your spiritual and emotional health.

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November 18, 2018

Rev. Garrett Bugg, pastor

Preparation for Worship ~ "Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead others to righteousness will shine like the stars forever and ever. (Daniel 12:3, NRSV)

Welcome & Announcements

~ Please sign the red Friendship pad ~

OPENING PRAYER

***PSALM 16** (all read the bold)

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

Those who choose other gods multiply their sorrows.

I will not pour out their offerings or take their names upon my lips.

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup. I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;

and in the night my heart instructs me.

I keep the Lord always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices; my body rests secure.

You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

*HYMN 1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*Share the Peace of Christ

Children's Time with the Pastor

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A TIME OF CONFESSION (all read the bold)

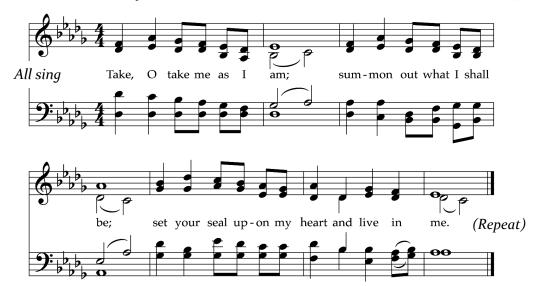
In this time of quiet, we ask ~

God, forgive our incompleteness: *Not expanding our knowledge of Scripture, or offering our time, or developing our talents so that we may grow in Christ.*

God, **forgive our dishonesty:** *Taking the easy way out; speaking one way and living another; silencing truth to preserve tranguility.*

God, **forgive our loudness**: *Talking when I should listen, busying myself with tasks when I should find a quiet place to rest in Your grace.*





THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE & PARDON . . . and all say Thanks be to God.

Here these words from the letter to the Hebrews (10:11-14, 19-25, NIV)

Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when this priest had offered for all time, one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, and since that time he

waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. By one sacrifice, he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for **He who promised is faithful**.

Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain - that is, his body - and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings. Let us hold to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Let us spur one another on toward love and good deeds, and not giving up meeting together, as some have done, but encouraging one another as you see the Day approaching.

Proclamation in Song

"I Believe This is Jesus"

arr. V. Johnson

I believe this is Jesus! Come and see, come and see! The light of God shines in his face, come & see. He offers all his pardoning grace, come & see!

Scripture ~ Mark 13:1-8 The Word of God is Opened to Us Rev. Garrett Bugg



The offering is received as we sing ~

Hymn 350

"Keep Your Lamps Trimmed & Burning" (remain seated)

A Preparation for Prayer (all read the bold)



In this moment, as we prepare our hearts for prayer, let us know -

The widowed find one who cares, the orphaned find a parent, the fearful find a friend, **In you, gracious God.**

The wounded find a healer, the penitent find a pardoner, the burdened find a counselor, **In you, loving Spirit.**

In Jesus, we meet our Maker and our match, and if some need to say 'help me,' and if some need to say, 'save me,' and if some need to say 'hold me,' and if some need to say 'forgive me,' then let them be said now, for

In you, Jesus Christ, we offer our prayers ~

THE PASTOR'S PRAYER followed by THE LORD'S PRAYER (p. 35, hymnal)

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (all read the bold)

Christians, gathered here, in whom do you believe?

We believe in God,

who blessed us with restless discomfort about easy answers, guiding us to seek truth boldly and to love deeply.

We believe in Christ Jesus, God's Son,

who blessed us with holy anger at injustice and oppression so that we may tirelessly work for justice, freedom, and peace.

We live by the Holy Spirit,

who blessed us with the gift of tears to shed with those who suffer, and calls us to reach out to comfort them and transform their pain into joy.

We are one with each other in God's holy Church, blessed with enough foolishness to believe that with God's grace, we can make a difference.



*The Benediction (all sing) "The Celtic Alleluia" ~ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia (repeat)

