Bringing Forward God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

\*Doxology **# 95 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all Creatures here below;** **praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Lord’s Prayer

**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.**

\*Singing Our Faith # **170** *“O How I Love Jesus”*

\*Blessing and Dismissal

\*Postlude

**Scatter to Serve God & Neighbor**

*Welcome to all! We gather to praise God for the innumerable blessings given to us and to grow deeper in the Spirit. Joyfully, let us lift our hearts to God.*



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10:30 a.m. ~ October 22, 2023 ~ Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is ***“to be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

***Welcome! Join us in worshiping God!***

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Welcome in the name of Christ our Lord. Please register your attendance, printing your name, address, phone, and email, on the attendance pad provided on your pew. Thank you for silencing cell phones as we gather to worship God.*

Invocation

\*Greeting

We are one in the Spirit,

**we are one in the Lord;**

We are one in the Spirit,

**we are one in the Lord;**

And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

**And they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

We will walk with each other,

**we will walk hand in hand;**

We will walk with each other,

**we will walk hand in hand;**

And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

**And they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

We will work with each other,

**we will work side by side;**

We will work with each other,

**we will work side by side;**

And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.

**And they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;

**And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.**

And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

**And they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

*(Peter Scholtes, 20th century)*

\*Singing Our Faith **# 103** *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

\*Opening Prayer

**Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Special Music  *“Just as I Am”* Estelle Holt, Judy Lease

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Scripture Lessons 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 & Matthew 22:15-22

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 361** *“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”*

The Good News ***“Along Party Lines”***

\*Affirmation of Faith from Romans 8:35,37-39 (UMH 887)

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

**No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us.** **We are sure that neither death nor life,**

**Nor angels, nor principalities,**

**Nor things present, nor things to come,**

**Nor powers, nor height, nor depth,**

**Nor anything else in all creation,**

**Will be able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.** **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

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| Tuesday, 10/24 | 6:00 p.m. | *Finance Committee* |
|  | 7:00 p.m. | *Administrative Council* |
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| Friday, 10/27 | 10:00 a.m. | *Homeschool* |
|  | 4:00 p.m. | *Homeschool Halloween Party* |

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Please take a moment to sign the cards for our homebound members that Erin has placed in the Commons.

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**October ~** Canned green beans, corn, yams, cranberry sauce, boxed instant mashed potatoes, stuffing mix.

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