

Order of Worship

18th Sunday after Pentecost with *A Celebration of Music*

September 30, 2012

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

Hymns of Celebration (10:50)

Hymn

"Dare to Care"

Matt Hussman
Children's Choir

Welcome & Invitation to Sign our Friendship Pad

Celebration of the Life and Work of the Church

Garrett Mincey & James Apisai

Chiming of the Hour & Coming of the Light

Introit

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

arr. Anna Laura page
Handbell Choir, Jimmy Weaver, saxophone

Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us!

Praise the Lord!

*Hymn, #96

"Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above"

AMSTERDAM

*Opening Prayer

(Fred D. Gealy; alt. Laurence H. Stookey, USA 20th Cent)

Glorious God, source of joy and righteousness,

enable us as redeemed and forgiven children

evermore to rejoice in singing your praises.

Grant that what we sing with our lips

we may believe in our hearts,

and what we believe in our hearts

we may practice in our lives;

so that being doers of the Word, and not hearers only,

we may receive everlasting life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Gloria Patri, #70

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.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Lesson: Esther 3:8-11, 4:1, 5-14

Hymn

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

I'M GONNA LIVE

Just for Fun Singers

LIFT EVERY VOICE

*Hymn, #519

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

Gospel Lesson: Mark 9:38-50

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Temple/Hayes

Chancel Choir

Concerns and Prayers

Brief intercessions, petitions, and thanksgivings may be spoken spontaneously by members of the congregation. Please conclude these with: "Lord, in your mercy," to which all will respond, "Hear our prayer."

The Lord's Prayer, #895

Prayer of Confession

Constance Cherry

Eternal God, we are grateful that you have led us in the past and will continue to lead us in the future. Thank you that your faithfulness to us does not depend upon our faithfulness to you, for often we have failed to follow your leadership. We have sown seeds of war, not peace; we have spoken words of anger, not love; we have failed to build bridges with people in our neighborhoods when we should reach out to them in Jesus' name. We repent of these sins and ask your forgiveness. Change our hearts and give us the strength to walk in the ways of reconciliation and peace. We pray this through Christ, our Lord, who showed us how to live this way to your glory. Amen.

(All pray in silence.)

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.

The Peace

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

Offering

As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offertory

"Canon in D"

Pachelbel/Ramsay

Jimmy Weaver, saxophone

*Doxology with Alleluias

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Songs

"Listen to the Music"

"Jesus Is the Rock"

"Amazing Grace"

Junk in the Trunk Band

Tom Johnson

Tony Congi

John Newton

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn, #333

"I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing" I'M GOIN' A SING

*Going Forth of the Light and Dismissal with Blessing

Garrett Mincey & James Apisai

*Choral Benediction

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

Peter Lutkin

*Trinity Chime

*Postlude

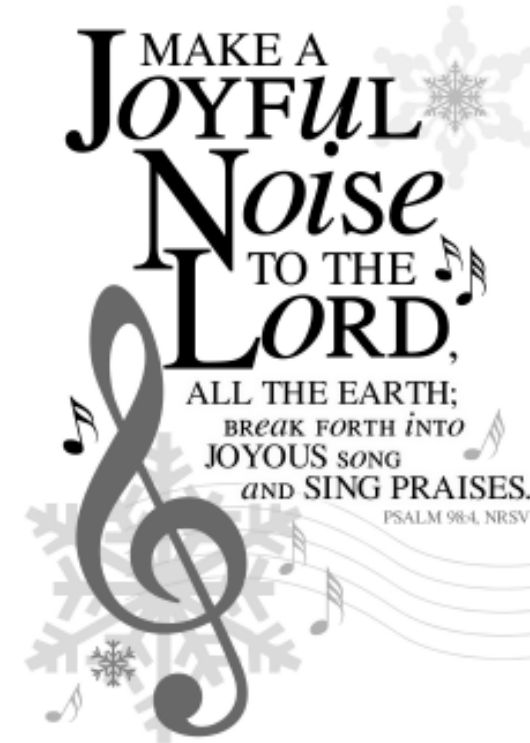
"Prelude & Fugue in G Minor"

J. S. Bach

**Please stand as you are able*

+You are invited to meditate on the text during the playing of the music

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK
September 30– October 7

Sunday, September 30 Liturgist: Dan Portaro **Acolytes:** Garrett Mincey & James Apisai
Worship Nursery Workers: Linda Kearns & Virginia Browning

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship Through Music
4:00 p.m. Installation Service Bishop Ward @ Edenton St. UMC

Monday, October 1

7:00 p.m. Dartball (H) Mt Bethel

Tuesday, October 2

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
7:15 p.m. SPRC meets following dinner
8:30 p.m. Prayer Group

Wednesday, October 3

6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Hand bells

Thursday, October 4

11:00 a.m. Line Dancing
4:00 p.m. Children's Hand Chime Choir
7:00 p.m. Golden Dippers

Sunday, October 7 Liturgist: Connie Kirby **Acolytes:** Kelli Zwickle; -Cheek & Tatyana
Worship Nursery Workers: Lisa & Gary Kearns

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Youth sponsored luncheon



The October Fellowship Dinner will be on **Tuesday**, October 2 at 6:00 p.m. Menu will be baked chicken breast, butter beans, potatoes, rolls with desserts and cleanup by The Harvey Black Class. Entertainment for the evening will be the Junk in the Trunk Band. Be sure to check the list on the bulletin board to make sure your name is there if you plan to attend and please make sure it is not there if you are unable to attend. All are welcome. This will be by donation but we do need to know how many to prepare for. All money collected beyond the expenses will go to our Building Fund.



There will be a Live Auction and a Silent Auction as part of Bethany's 120th celebration on Saturday, **October 27**. We are looking for crafts, handmade items, antiques, and upscale items. They can be previously owned but we do ask that they be clean and in good condition. Please save yard sale items for our Spring Trunk Sale. The monies raised will go toward the Building Fund. We are asking that items for the auctions be delivered to the Church during office hours between **Monday** and **Thursday** 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, starting immediately. Please ask Connie for a form for you to complete for each item (Description and Approximate Value). If you cannot get items to Bethany during those times, please call [919-477-8266](tel:919-477-8266) for Pauline or John Roberts, also if you need help transporting your item(s) to the Church they can help with that. Any questions please feel free to call Pauline at the above number. Sharon Stone and Pauline are coordinating the Auctions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 2 – Fellowship Dinner

October 14 – Svc of Installation for DS Donna Banks

October 18 – 19 - IHN