

Welcome to Worship at
Safe Harbor
Presbyterian Church

*Don't
Give
Up*

Service for the Lord's Day
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
October 28th, 2018

The Gathering

Welcome/Announcements

† **Call to Worship (from Psalm 8):**

Leader: O Lord our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

**People: Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark
because of your foes to silence the enemy and the avenger.**

Leader: When I look at the heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;

**People: what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**

Leader: Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.

**People: You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet.**

Leader: all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

**People: the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

Leader: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

All: Let us worship God!

Prayers of Adoration (unison): Gracious God, our hearts are full of joy when we think of you. Even if our spirits sag, when we turn to you, our hearts are lifted. You have given us so much. We praise you for your bounty. We have enough to eat. We have homes in which to rest and find refreshment. We have your church where we can gather to experience your presence, to learn about you, to glorify you, to live in community together. Every good and perfect gift comes from your loving hands. Receive, O God we pray, our worship today as a love letter from our hearts to yours.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Hymn of Praise: #621 "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

Prayer of Confession: Merciful God, You are everything to us. You are our life. You are our breath. You are the blood that runs through our veins. We were created by You for You, and we are grateful beyond words. Still, even as we sing your praise and rest in your mercy, we are aware of the many ways that we do not reflect you in our relationships and in the whole created order. You ask us to be people of love but we pick and choose only those who seem lovable. You ask us to live lives of simplicity and generosity but we love our things and only have time for gathering more. You ask us to reconcile with enemies and those who have wounded us but we are unwilling to change, not even our feelings, to do so. You ask us to invite all to share in the banquet of your

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love but we offer only the crumbs from our own tables. You ask us to do justice but we would have to look at our own behavior and so we do not. Forgive us, God of grace. Strengthen our faith, O God, so that we can be your people in love, mercy and justice for your sake and for the world. (Time for silent confession.)

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

†The Sharing of the Peace

Moments with Children

The Word

Hymn of Preparation for the Word: #452 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Scripture: Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Sermon: "Run, Max"

The Rev. Eugenia A. Gamble

Hymn of Response #177 "I Will Come to You"

The Prayers

Call to Prayer: # 466 "Come and Fill Our Hearts with Your Peace"

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace,

Alleluia!

Prayers of the People

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 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.

Response to Prayer: # 710 "We Are an Offering"

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering; we are an offering.

The Offering

Hymn #853 "Siyahamba"

Prayer of Dedication

The Sending

† Hymn of Parting: #837 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

† Charge and Benediction

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Welcome

We are so delighted that you have worshipped with us today! If you are a guest, we are doubly blessed by your presence. We will pray for you this week. Please stay for a moment for refreshments so that we can get to know you.

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Caroline Johnson

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Tom and Lana Cochrun

Patti and Donovan Ropp

Monty and Julia Rice

Michelle Costa and Jeff Rodriguez

Don't forget Tuesday evening Dinner Fellowship at 5:45.

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