Massanutten Presbyterian Church June 26, 2022 Third Sunday after Pentecost

Introit

Greeting

Pouring of the Water

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Ron Matthews, Worship Leader

God, who rules the universe, calls us;

Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;

Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.

Let us faithfully answer by worshiping the triune God.

*Hymn

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

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Spirit divine, attend our prayers, and make this house your home.

Descend with all your gracious powers.

O come, great Spirit, come!

Come as the light. To us reveal our emptiness and woe.
And lead us in those paths of life where all the righteous go.

Come as the fire and purge our hearts like sacrificial flame.

Let our whole soul an offering be to our Redeemer's name.

Come as the dove and spread your wings, the wings of peaceful love. And let the church on earth become blest as the church above.

Spirit divine, attend our prayers.

Make a lost world your home.

Descend with all your gracious powers.

O come, great Spirit, come!

*Prayer of Confession (responsively)

O God, Holy Trinity, help us to confess our sins.

You give us a place in your creation,

and you intend that we live in love with all that you have made.

We confess that we abuse what you give us.

By our thoughts, actions, and the meditations of our hearts

we show how enslaved we are to life made corrupt by sin.

Far from walking in the Spirit, we stumble on paths that lead to death.

O Fire of Heaven, have mercy on us.

Satisfy the longings of our souls

by taking us up into your Spirit that we may love our neighbor.

Rekindle our desire to follow our Savior, Jesus Christ,

whose passion for obeying you leads us to our inheritance,

which is your promised kingdom.

To you and the Son and the Spirit, One God,

be all worship and praise now and forever. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

The crucified Christ has set us free to live in the Spirt of life. Believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Response of Praise

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! (refrain)

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Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

We Gather around God's Word

Time with the Children Rev. Elfie Finn-McKenzie

Scripture Luke 9:51-62

Sermon Pastor Keith Phillips

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32-33

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ

has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to people commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice.

In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

Invitation to the Offering

Special Music

Things That Never Die

Dickens/ Dengler

The pure, the bright, the beautiful that stirred our hearts in youth,

The impulses to wordless prayer,

The streams of love and truth,

The longing after something lost,

The spirits yearning cry,

The striving after better hopes, these things can never die.

The timid hand stretched forth to aid a brother in his need, A kindly word in grief's dark hour that proves a friend indeed; The plea for mercy softly breathed when justice threatens high, The sorrow of a contrite heart, these things shall never die.

Let nothing pass, for every hand must find some work to do, Lose not a chance to waken love;

Be firm and just and true, So shall the light that cannot fade beam on thee from on high, And angel voices say to thee, these things can never die.

Concerns of the Congregation

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

We Are Sent to the World

*Hymn

Jesus Calls Us (vv. 1-3)

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Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea; day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."

Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store, from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Jesus Calls Us (v. 4)

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Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.