

✠ **DOXOLOGY:** (*unison*) 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.

✠ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** “The Apostles’ Creed” (*unison*)
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

Go Out as God’s People in the World

✠ **Closing Hymn HB #298:** “Lord Speak to Me”

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **POSTLUDE** by Tracy (Yu) Qian

Following today’s service please join in the upper hall for coffee & conversation.



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“It’s a Priestly Thing”

Today’s Worship Leaders:

Elder Leading: Sally Kean

Organist/Pianist: Tracy (Yu) Qian

Guest Pastor: Peggy J. Holcomb, CP

The Lord's Day Worship

October 17, 2021

Worship, 11am

Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship.
If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

*(Those not wanting to be seen on the **video recording**, please sit under the balcony.)*

Hymnals: HB is "The Hymnbook" (burgundy) & HoF is "Hymns of Faith" (scarlet)

Gathering of God's People

After the chimes, please be in quiet reverence & silence cell phones.

RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELLS & CHIMES

WELCOME by Sally Kean, ruling elder, asst chair of Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS (See insert.)

PRELUDE by Tracy (Yu) Qian

† stand as able

† **CALL To WORSHIP:** *adapted from Psalm 91 (responsively):*

Those who love me, I will deliver;

I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them;

I will be with them in trouble,

I will rescue them and honor them.

With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

Let us join together in worshiping God.

† **Opening Hymn HB #444:** "According to Thy Gracious Word"

† **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** *(unison):*

Lord, we admit that sometimes we look for You in the wrong places.

We put our trust in material things, wanting more but needing less.

For all the times we have doubted You, Lord, forgive us. For all the

ways we have neglected Your word and ignored an opportunity to

help another, forgive us. For all the times that we knew it was You

who made things happen for us but we neglected to take even a

breath to thank You, forgive us. We ask that You forgive us for these,

our shortcomings. Humbly we ask all this, and many times so much

more, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

† **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:** *(responsively)*

Listen, for this is the Good News – God realizes that we are not without sin. He sent His son so that those sins would be forgiven. He is full of grace. Therefore, ask, and you will be forgiven.

Thanks be to God, who is ever generous and forgiving. Amen.

† **GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE:** *(unison)* 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 of God's Word

† **CALL TO GOD'S WORD:** John 10:35 & Romans 4:3 *(unison)*

"Scripture cannot be set aside... What does Scripture say?"

† **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:** *(unison)*

Lord, through your Spirit enable us to consider your Word, and to enact it in our lives to bring you glory and praise. Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 53:4-12

O.T. pg. 1053-4

2nd SCRIPTURE:

Hebrews 5:5-10

N.T. pg. 1708

SERMON

"It's a Priestly Thing"

Peggy J. Holcomb, CP

Response to God's Word

† **Hymn of Response HB #496:** "Jesus Shall Reign"

PRAYERS of JOYS & CONCERNS followed by **LORD'S PRAYER** *(unison)*

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.

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY to prayerfully consider giving in thankfulness

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** *(unison)*

Lord, we offer to you this day, these tokens of our lives and our substance. Take these gifts and cause them to work in this world, which you have loaned us. Help us to use them to the betterment of our church and world. Amen.