St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

23rd Reformation Sunday Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

October 27, 2024 Bob Naumann, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Dr. Gilbreath

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome Rev. Tripp Brogdon

Minute for Misson Thanksgiving Dinners John Jordan

Call to Worship:

One: I will bless the Lord at all times,

All: God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

One: My soul makes its boast in the Lord, *All:* let the humble hear and be glad.

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

All: let us exalt God's name together!

*Hymn "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #385

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (Adapted from John Knox's liturgy of 1560)

Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from you, if you dealt with us as we deserve. We have sinned against you, O Lord, and we have offended you. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge you to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you. And so we humbly ask you, for the sake of Christ your son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age. By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our life, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response

"Just as I Am, without One Plea" v.3

#442

Assurance of Pardon:

One: Go in peace, in the firm assurance of pardon, so that today and every day your path may be strong and free, in the name of the holy Trinity, one God, now and forever.

All: We are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri #581

We Listen for God's Word					
Prayer for Illumination	(Written by John Calvin)	Bob Naumann			
Scripture Reading	Hebrews 7:23-28	Bob Naumann			
Choir Anthem	"How Firm a Foundation"	Choir			
Scripture Reading	Mark 10:46-52	Rev. Tripp Brogdon			
Sermon	"Always?"	Rev. Tripp Brogdon			
*Hymn	"The Church's One Foundation"	#321			
	We Respond to God's Word				

Affirmation of Faith: The Scots Confession, Chapter XVI

As we believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, so we firmly believe that from the beginning there has been, now is, and to the end of the world shall be, one Kirk, that is to say, one company and multitude of those chosen by God, who rightly worship and embrace Him by true faith in Christ Jesus. The Kirk is catholic, that is, universal, because it contains the chosen of all ages, of all realms, nations, and tongues, be they of the Jews or be they of the Gentiles, who have communion and society with God the Father, and with his Son, Christ Jesus, through the sanctification of his Holy Spirit.

Prayers of the People

Call for the Offering

Offertory "Faith of Our Fathers" Dr. Gilbreath

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" #275

*Benediction Rev. Tripp Brogdon

*Postlude "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Dr. Gilbreath

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar of Events:

Tues., Oct. 29 1:30 PM Member Care meeting

Mon., Nov. 4 1:00 PM CE Meeting

Tues., Nov. 5 10:00 AM Presbyterian Women, in the Fellowship Hall

Lesson: "Food Justice", Genesis 1:22; 3:19; Exodus 16:13-21;

Joshua 5:12; Ps. 65:11-14: 78:23-29; 105:40-41

Hosea 4:1b-3; Micah 6:12-15; Matt. 13:8; Mark 4:8; Luke 8:8

Leader: Linda Grissom

<u>Guests</u>

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you in worship with us today. We warmly invite your participation in the worship, fellowship, and ministry of our congregation. The pastor is available to answer any questions you might have after worship, by email or phone. There is a place for you here.

<u>Children's activity bags</u> are available from an usher for the sermon time. Please leave the bag in the pew as you leave. A nursery is provided for children 3 years of age and under.

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Scripture Reading, Bob Naumann: Hebrews 7:23-28

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Brogdon: Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.