

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

(* = please stand)

Prelude

"Come Into His Presence"

Choir

Opening Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

Michael Burke

Call to Worship

One: The God who is greater than we will ever understand,

All: is humbled to become one of us.

One: The God who is more loving than our hearts dare imagine,

All: gives us more grace than we ever realize.

One: The God who is wiser than we will ever know,

All: teaches us all we need to become God's children.

***Opening Hymn, Celeb Hymn, 522** *"I'm so Glad Jesus Lifted Me"*

Congregation

Scripture

Psalm 125, pg. 441

***2ND Hymn, 697**

"The Way of the Cross Leads Home"

Congregation

Prayer of Confession

One: We often think God is 'out there' somewhere, distant and uncaring. But God hears our hearts, God shares our struggles, God walks with us as we try to be faithful disciples. Let us come to the One who is as close as the very breath we take in this moment to confess the brokenness of our lives. Please join me as we pray,

All: We are so easily confused by what the world tells us, Watching God, that we forget the stories of faith we heard as children. We are so fearful of tomorrow; we are not aware of your Spirit with us today. We are so busy wondering 'what if?' or 'suppose?' - we cannot hear the promises you whisper to us.

(Time of the Silence)

So once again, Gracious God, have mercy on us. You know our hearts so well - touch them with your grace. You see our deepest fears - heal them with your peace. You hear our secret longings - speak to them of your hope. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Assurance of Pardon

One: The One who searches our broken hearts has found the way to mend them and make us new people. The good news is that everything God has done in Christ is for us, that we might be made whole.

All: With kindness and with justice, God makes us new people. We will sing our thanks through all eternity. Great is God and greatly to be praised! Amen.

***Gloria Patri #577**

Congregation

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and

ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. ***All: And also with you.***

(Please pass signs of peace and forgiveness with those seated around you)

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

The Lord's Prayer, (Inside cover Red Book)

Congregation

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Scripture

Genesis 37:19-20, pg. 29

Anthem

"What a Mighty God We Serve"

Choir

Sermon

“ God is in Control”

Text: Let’s kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we’ll see what becomes of his dreams.

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***The Apostles’ Creed** (*Inside cover Red Book*)

Congregation

Prayer

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

Call to Offering

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

Offertory

Chris Allen

***Doxology**

Congregation

*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.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***Charge and Blessing**

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

We leave now in order to follow God into the world.

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

All: We will go to bring the healing and peace of Jesus to all.

***Sung Benediction** (*Please face the center*)

Congregation

All: May the Lord, Mighty Lord bless and keep you forever.

Grant you peace, perfect peace, and courage in every endeavor.

Lift your eyes and see His face, see His grace forever.

May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless and keep you forever.

Gulf Beach Presbyterian Church
September 8, 2024 9:15 am



Our Vision: Transforming lives by the love of Christ Jesus through witness, mission, and evangelism.

Our Mission: To be a place where the community can come together in Christ and provide, through God and his Word, love, comfort and joy to all.