

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

(* = please stand)

Prelude *“Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty”* *Choir*

Opening Prayer *Sarah Waby*

Welcome and Announcements *Sarah Waby*

Call to Worship

One: We have walked with you, O God, from many parts of the world to this time and place.

All: And we will walk with you, O God, into the world to serve all people.

One: We leave behind our old securities; we leave behind our reliance on worldly goods.

All: And we will walk with you, O God, into the world to live with all people.

One: We leave behind all which holds us back; we leave behind all which keeps us from following you.

All: And we will walk with you, O God into the world to work with all people.

One: We leave behind the fears which bind us; we leave behind the hurts which damage us.

All: And we will walk with you, O God, into the peace you offer to all people.

*Opening Hymn, Celeb Hymn, 327 *“The Old Rugged Cross”* *”Congregation*

Scripture *Psalm 26, pg. 393*

*2nd Hymn, 492 *“At Calvary”* *Congregation*

Prayer of Confession

One: Sometimes our words and actions show how we are salt for the world. But then come those moments when we lose our flavor and our way. Let us confess our sins to our God, so we might be restored and forgiven.

All: Called to be your people, Living God - why do we find it so hard to answer? You ask us to speak out against injustice, and we whisper because we are afraid someone might hear us. You ask us to see the pain and poverty around us, but we close our eyes. You tell us that everyone, and each one, is created in your image, yet we persist in noticing the differences between us and others.

(Time for Silent Prayer)

Forgive us, God of the Past and Creator of the Future. May we be the ones who go out into the world, bearing your gifts of peace, of hope, of healing, of joy to everyone who is broken, even as we have been made whole through the gift of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Touched by the healing hands of our Lord, filled with the grace of our God, led by the compassion of the Holy Spirit, our hearts are opened and we discover we are forgiven and at peace with God.

All: Those who are created to love the unlovable; those who are created to bear grace; those who are created to embrace all people: we receive our forgiveness, giving thanks to our God. 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.

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

Luke 24: 31-35, page 749

Anthem

“Sanctuary”

Choir

Sermon

Lord, Open Our Eyes: So we can see Jesus

Text: Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him.

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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

Congregation

Communion

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

Prayer

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

Call to Offering

Rev Dr. Michael Askew

Offertory

“Sheltered in the Arms of God”

LuAnn Dearing/Daniel Wolfe/Michael Greer

*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

October 6, 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.