

Stewardship Sunday
11:00 a.m. October 30, 2022

Entering God's Presence

Welcome and Life in the Community

*Hymn 697 **Take My Life** (vv. 1, 2, 5, 6) HENDON

*Expressing Our Joy Reece Humphreys

Leader: What earthly treasure can we possess that remains unravaged by aging, the elements, or theft?

People: There is none. All earthly treasure will fail.

Leader: But there is an eternal treasure, found through loving and serving Christ.

People: In Christ, we find the pearl of great price, the unfailing treasure: the richness of God's love.

Leader: Let us worship God, rejoicing in Christ through whom all things become precious!

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

Loving God, in mystery and grace you sustain us, though we do not often acknowledge the extent of your care. We confess that our worries consume our attention, that we put our material needs first, and that we remain numb to the spiritual hunger deep within us. Jesus told us that if we seek material things before spiritual treasure, our priorities are wrong. Merciful God, forgive us. Set us free from anxiety, and give us a new trust in your care for us.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness

*Hymn 700 **I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me** I'M GONNA LIVE

Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 157 in the pew Bible.]

Anthem **Come! Live in the Light!** (*We are Called*) (Hymn 749) WE ARE CALLED

Matthew 6:25-33 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 6 in the pew Bible.]

Sermon **"Christ Has No Body But Yours"** The Rev. Vance E. Polley

Response to God's Grace: Renewal of Our Baptismal Vows

*The Apostle's Creed (*Traditional Version*, Page 35) and **Gloria Patri** (No. 581)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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(In the *Offering*, we dedicate our lives and a portion of the resources God has entrusted to us. Your gifts may be dedicated online, by mail, or in-person. There is an offering plate on the Communion Table for your weekly offering and a basket for your pledge cards.)

*At the Presentation **Doxology** (No. 606) OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication, concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*

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.

*Hymn 707 **Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord** HALL

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction **Amen** (Hymn 574)

*Going Out into the World

*Those that are able, please stand.

Christ Has No Body But Yours

*Christ has no body but yours;
No hands, no feet on earth but yours.*

*Yours are the eyes with which he looks with compassion on this world.
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.
Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.*

*Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.*

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