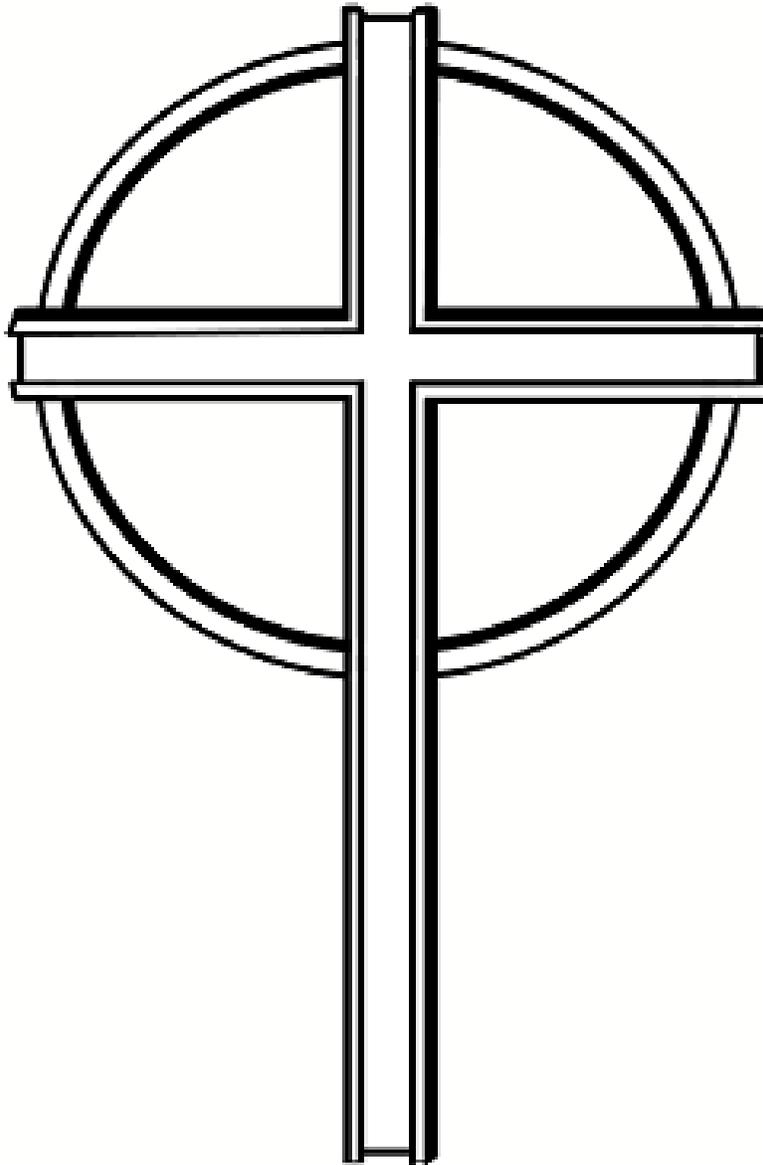


SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2020

SAINT GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Please Note:

Session has called a Called Congregational Meeting for Sunday, July 26th at 10am. The purpose of the meeting will be to dissolve the pastor's terms of call. The meeting will take place via ZOOM. A link to the ZOOM meeting will be sent as part of the mini-newsletter the week of July 20th.

Celebrating Katherine's Ministry

We are providing two opportunities to celebrate Katherine's ministry.

1. A drive-through parade on Sunday, July 26 from 8:30am – 9:30am. This face-to-face option will take place in the Youth Center Parking Lot. Folks will be asked to remain in their vehicles and expected to wear masks. There will be time for brief conversations with Katherine. We have decided on an early-in-the-day time in hopes of cooler weather.
2. Notes or emails; many of you have already reached out to Katherine - thank you! If you wish to reach out to her, she may be reached at katherine@saintgiles.org or via USPS: Saint Giles Presbyterian Church, 5101 Oak Park Rd, Raleigh NC 27612

We have two podcasts this week. The extended podcast begins here and continues through most of the worship service, to the Charge & Benediction. The shorter podcast is of the Prayer of Illumination, the Scripture, and the Homily.

Extended Podcast: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/102332/4609556>

WORDS OF WELCOME

GATHERING SONG

Though I Feel Alone

Enter the Worship Circle

Refrain: ***Though I feel alone
I am never alone
You are with me
Oh, my Lord***

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER AND MEDITATION

Isaac Watts, 1719

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode, and all my works be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
no more a stranger, or a guest, but like a child at home.

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Johann Walther (1684-1748)

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 34: 1 & 3)

One: I will bless the Lord at all times;
All: God's praise will always be in my mouth.

One: [Come,] magnify the Lord with me!
All: Let us lift God's name up high!

SONG #610 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (v 1, 4 & 5)* TUNE: AZMON

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!*

*My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.*

*To God all glory, praise and love be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.*

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Generous God,
Giver of all things,
forgive us:

**All: for the times we think we have to “do this” on our own
for the times we think you have abandoned us
for the times we forget you have provided and you will provide.**

One: Have mercy on us,
forgive us, and
remind us:

**All: You are Compassion,
you are Generosity,
you are Provision,
in Christ and through the Spirit. Amen.**

SOLO

Safe Place
Mona Dowell

Enter the Worship Circle

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

My friends,
God is our safe place -
compassion, generosity, provision, mercy and forgiveness.

Believe this good news:
in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

PASSING THE PEACE

One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

SONG ***You have Redeemed My Soul (Psalm 107)***

Enter the Worship Circle

Refrain:

***You have redeemed my soul
From the pit of emptiness
You have redeemed my soul
From death (2x)***

***I was a hungry child
A dried up river
I was a burned out forest
And no one could do anything for me***

***But you put food in my body
Water in my dry bed
And to my blackened branches you brought the
Springtime rain of new life
And nothing is impossible for you [Refrain]***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Podcast: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/102332/4609529>

Guide us, O God,
by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your grace discover peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PSALM Psalm 34: 8-10

GOSPEL Matthew 14:15-21

One: This is the Word of the Lord:

All: Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

Katherine Kussmaul

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Compassionate and Generous God,

Give us the sensitivity to know how great you are,
the wisdom to understand how complete you are,
the humility to accept how hidden you are, and
the faith to trust how close you are.¹

¹ Bruce Prewer, Uniting Church in Australia

Give us, O God, the sensitivity to see others,
the wisdom to show up and listen,
the humility to acknowledge how much we do not know, and
the faith to trust you are with us, before and behind.

Give us, O God, the sensitivity to know ourselves,
the wisdom to assess our options and resources,
the humility to engage in candid conversation, and
the faith to trust that you will provide, far beyond our imagination.

And hear us as we pray together...

**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.**

OFFERING

SONG #366 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (v 1, 2 & 4)* TUNE: HYFRYDOL

*Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.*

*Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.*

***Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.***

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

May God grant us the wisdom, the insight, and the courage -
to identify our needs,
to assess our options and resources, and
to notice God's provision, in all times and all places.

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you,
and with all those you love,
and with all those who are convinced they are unlovable.
May we reach out and love. Alleluia! And Amen.

POSTLUDE

Tocatta in F

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Thank you to Dave Smith, Mona Dowell, Patty Pace and Eddie Adams, for providing the music and technical support for our Extended Podcast.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please Pray for these Members, Relatives and Friends

Pat Lindsay, Rachel Williams, Sandra Richbourg, **Charolette Brown**, Libby Morton, Dan Grassi, Dick Grassi, **Paula Hagler**, Dave Smith, Aleta Wheeler, Marie Minani, Inez Ruchte, Andrew Scharfe, **Peggie Bell, Jeane Nagel, Joe Moody, Donna Nichols, Larry Watson, Joyce Vollmer**

- **Sallie Taylor's sister, Janet**
- Jan Morgan's daughter, Anna
- Betty Fetvedt's sister, Peggy
- Marti Ranney's friend Sherrill
- Teresa Johnson's cousin, Kaitlyn
- Charolette Brown's friend, Jaqueline
- Janet Wherry's sons **David** & Stephen, & **her sister Ev**
- Rachel & Rodney Williams' daughter, Rene
- Pat & Bob Lindsay's granddaughter Rebecca, niece Stephanie & family, & friend Ann Weber
- Chris Zaineddin's friend Peggy, nieces Colleen, & Sourour Dehnadi, brother Ken, & friend Paul Hutter & family
- Dave & Rita Hart's friends Max, Terry, neighbor Mary & her family
- Roberta Dibble's friend Margaret Rothman
- Carmen Rosa, along with Tania Valentine & Maurice Kersey
- Friends of Hess & Hart families, Max & Leatha Carey & family, & Allen Lee & Family
- Jo Lourens' father Flip Viviers
- Kimberly & Chad Craven's friend & her family
- Lisa, coworker of Koreen Thomasson, & Lisa's husband Ed
- Sara Monazah's grandmother Zary
- Kathy & Bob Wolinski's daughter, Amy
- Joe Moody's sister Mary Lynn
- Cindy Hemminger & family following her 5 year old cousin Hazel's diagnosis with Leukemia
- Donald and Nancy Ross' friend Terri McIrvine, and her husband and daughters
- Mary Ellen Jackson's cousin Betty Turner
- Chris Maxwell's sister Cecile
- Nicole Goolsby's mother Lyn's friend Bob Albert
- Bob Lindsay's niece Eloise, following a fall from a ladder
- We celebrate with Kimberly and Chad Craven, & Mark and Jean Evans, following the birth of Sutton Ann Craven, born July 3rd, 6lb 14oz, 19.5inches
- **Scott Vollmer's mother, Lois**

*requests in bold have been recently added or are in need of special prayer.