

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 2, 2018 10:15 a.m.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder Bev Tallmadge

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE *"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"* arr. Larson

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP James 1: 17-18

Leader Every generous act of giving is from above,
PEOPLE COMING DOWN FROM THE FATHER OF LIGHTS, WITH WHOM THERE IS NO VARIATION OR SHADOW DUE TO CHANGE.

Leader In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth,

PEOPLE SO THAT WE WOULD BECOME A KIND OF FIRST FRUITS OF HIS CREATURES.

*PRAISE *"You Are My King (Amazing Love)"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION James 1: 19-22

Leader You must understand this my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger, for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore, rid yourselves of all sordidness and the rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with humility the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

PEOPLE LORD HELP US TO BE DOERS OF THE WORD, AND NOT MERELY HEARERS WHO DECEIVE THEMSELVES.

Silent Reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader Hear the Good News of the Gospel,
PEOPLE IN JESUS CHRIST WE ARE FORGIVEN.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 579

*APOSTLE'S CREED Pg. 14 (Ecumenical, see insert)

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"A Moment of Peace"* Turner

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION No. 592

THE WORD

FIRST READING Mark 7: 1-8

SECOND READING Mark 7: 14-23

SERMON *Traditions* Reverend Mark Gaskill

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN *"Let Us Break Bread Together"* No. 513
(Those who wish to get their children from the nursery so that they may receive a blessing during Communion may do so during the Song of Preparation.)

THE SACRAMENT

Communion in the Presbyterian Church is open. All who profess faith in Jesus Christ are welcome to the Lord's Table. After taking a piece of bread, dip it in either the wine (first chalice) or grape juice (second chalice) and eat.

PASTORAL PRAYER WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

*PRAISE *"Grace Like Rain"*

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE *"Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"* No. 505

TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

* THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

PEOPLE: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

*POSTLUDE *"My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"* arr. Parks

"Leave in peace to serve our Lord and one another."

*Please stand if able.

All children are welcome here, but we know that a fussy baby is much louder to a parent's ears than to any of ours. If you have need:

- We have a nursery down the main stairs and to the left. It is staffed with volunteers, who will gladly care for any little ones who show up at the beginning of the service. If there are none, the volunteers will come up to the sanctuary, the nursery room will remain available. There is also a diaper change station in the Nursery and in both downstairs restrooms.
- We have a speaker in the narthex so that you DIY soothers can listen while you walk the little ones around.

Worship Service Notes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

Next Sunday, September 9, GSPC kicks off the new schedule:

- Worship services – 8:00 & 10:15 a.m.
- Sunday School for all ages – 9:00 a.m.

FUNNEL CAKES AT THE FAIR

Starting Thursday, September 13th, Good Samaritan will again be selling funnel cakes at the Charles County Fair. We will need volunteers to help with this important fundraising event from the set up on Thursday morning through the break down on Monday morning. **There are now sign-up sheets in the narthex.** Any questions can be directed to Bill Koennel or Alicia Barefoot. Come join the fun!

SAFE NIGHTS STEERING COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the Safe Nights Steering Committee on Sunday, Sept. 9 following the 10:15 service.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Beginning September 9, we will together study and think about the subject of Service. We will consider the decisions surrounding the commitment to serve rather than to be served. We will seek to strengthen an attitude of looking outward instead of inward; and of giving rather than consuming. Our focus will center on 8 themes: 1. Finding the calling; 2. Motivation; 3. Attitude; 4. Counting the cost; 5. Hospitality; 6. Entertaining strangers; 7. Generosity; and 8. Taking action. The class will be led by Ted Roorda. Please join us at 9:00 each Sunday morning in the room next to the library.

FRIENDS WHO LUNCH

The Friends Who Lunch will meet together Tuesday, September 11th, with a luncheon at Outback Steakhouse in La Plata. They will meet there at 12:00 noon. Please plan to join us for good food and great fellowship. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. For further information call the church office.

***Apostle's Creed (Ecumenical)**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again, he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

FIRST READING

MARK 7: 1-8

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me;

⁷in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

SECOND READING

MARK 7: 14-23

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile."

¹⁷When he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸He said to them, "Then do you also fail to understand? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile, ¹⁹since it enters, not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, "It is what comes out of a person that defiles. ²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

"You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken

I'm accepted; You were condemned.

I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me

Because You died and rose again

Amazing love how can it be that You my King should die for me?

Amazing love, I know it's true; It's my joy to honor You

In all I do, to honor You.

In all I do, to honor You.

You are my King. You are my King.

Jesus, You are my King. You are my King.

"Grace Like Rain"

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost but now I'm found

Was blind but now I see so clearly.

Chorus

Hallelujah! Grace like rain falls down on me.

Hallelujah! All my stains are washed away.

They're washed away.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear

and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear

the hour I first believed.

When we've been there ten thousand years

bright shining as the sun.

We've no less days to sing your praise

than when we first begun.

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today.
There are fellowship pads at the end of the row, please pass them, and sign them, so that you can learn the names of those who are sitting near you and so that they can know yours as well. Provide other information as desired. After the service, talk to old friends and meet some new ones.

We have snacks and coffee downstairs.

We have a platform lift for anyone who doesn't do well with stairs, see an usher for assistance.

*Please be mindful that as we prepare for worship
we are entering sacred space and sacred time.*

Please turn off cell phones and refrain from using other electronic media.

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The flowers on the Retable this morning are for the Glory of God.

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Today's Volunteers: *Greeters:* Peggy Hancock; *Acolyte:* Jeremy Call; *Ushers:* Grover Baldwin and John Holmes; *Readers:* Bettie Dillon and Kathy Koch; *Nursery Volunteers:* Margaret Beigel and Henry Buntz; *Coffee Hour:* Anne Creveling

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TODAY

Movie Class at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:15 a.m.

THIS WEEK

Mon. (Sept. 3): Happy Labor Day – Church Office Closed
No Crafters Today
Tues. (Sept. 4): 9:30 a.m. – Women's Bible Study

COMING SOON

Two Worship Services Begins Sunday, Sept. 9th
Sunday School Starts on Sunday, Sept. 9th
Safe Nights Steering Committee Meets – Sunday, Sept. 9th
Funnel Cakes at the Charles County Fair Sept. 13th – 16th



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Grover Baldwin (2019)	John Holmes (2020)
Holly Banks (2021)	Megan Howell (2020)
Margaret Beigel (2019)	Stephen Lehrter (2020)
Jill Buntz (2019)	Beverly Tallmadge (2021)
Loann Burian (2020)	Jack Tuttle (2021)
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