

12 As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,  
clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness,  
humility, meekness and *patience*.

*Colossians 3:12*



## Abington Presbyterian Church

August 1, 2021

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Celebration Worship

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost August 1, 2021**

**GATHERING**

*The people gather wherever they may in response to God's call, offering praise in words of scripture, prayer, and song. The people acknowledge their sinfulness and receive the good news of God's forgiveness.*

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP *A time for quiet preparation before worship*

We are glad we can lift up our hearts unto you, O God. We lift up the concerns on our hearts and the attitudes within them, so you might respond according to your will and timing. Amen.

PRELUDE (9:00) Consolation no.3 *Franz Liszt*  
(11:00) Lobe Den Herren *Johann Sebastian Bach*

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in worship, recognizing the world is not as we want it to be.

**We affirm that God's will is not fully done on earth as it is in heaven.**

We gather in worship, expressing our requests in prayer.

**We affirm that God's timing does not always coincide with our desires.**

We gather in worship, navigating our feelings and beliefs, our frustrations and hopes.

**We affirm God's authority, power, and activity in our world and in our hearts.**

\* HYMN 35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of all majesty and power, we bring you all our complaints and our hopes, our sadness and our joy, our fear and our faith.**

**We have been quick to excuse our own shortcomings, and slow to acknowledge your continuing patience and generosity.**

**We have sought our will over yours.**

**Our hearts long for timing that meets our desires instead of yours.**

**Our memories are short on how you have cared for us in the past.**

**Our confidence in you does not measure up to all you have done for us.**

**Grant us hearts open to your will.**

**Give us the capacity to grow in you, in Jesus' name.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God's patience is matched with generous mercy poured out upon us -  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and renewed!**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE 581

Glory Be To the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

\* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*Greet one another with the sign of peace.*

The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

WORD

*God's Word is read and its message is proclaimed in scripture, music and interpretation.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 40:27-31

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

\* HYMN

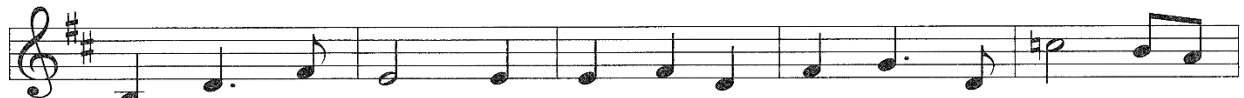
"Beloved, God's Chosen"



1 Be - lov - ed, God's cho - sen, put  
2 With - in, call forth Wis - dom, to  
3 Be - lov - ed, God's cho - sen, put



on as a gar - ment com - pas - sion, for - give - ness, and  
dwell in you rich - ly; let peace rule your hearts and that  
on as a gar - ment com - pas - sion, for - give - ness, and



good - ness of heart. A - bove all, be - fore all, let love be your  
peace be of Christ. And from the heart's cham - ber, be - lov - ed and  
good - ness of heart. A - bove all, be - fore all, let love be your



rai - ment that binds in - to one ev - 'ry dis - so - nant part.  
ho - ly, let sing - ing thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er rise.  
rai - ment that binds in - to one ev - 'ry dis - so - nant part.

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:12-17

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Designer Clothes: Patience”

*The Rev. Kirby Lawrence Hill*

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*from A Brief Statement of Faith*

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image,  
male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.  
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.  
Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,  
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,  
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.  
We deserve God's condemnation.  
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.  
In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah  
chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.  
Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.  
Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

**THANKSGIVING & SENDING**

*After the proclamation of God's Word, we respond with gratitude prepared to go  
into the world where we are called to live according to God's will.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy... we join our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

HYMN 552      Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy, O God of majesty...that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

**Christ has died,**

**Christ is risen,**

**Christ will come again.**

Gracious God pour out your Holy Spirit...even as we pray as our Lord Jesus has taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RECEIVING OF THE ELEMENTS

(11:00) ANTHEM

"I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness"

*Antonin Dvorak*

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

\* HYMN 819

Be Still, My Soul

FINLANDIA

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

(11:00) The People Respond, "Amen"

*Dan Locklair*

*[service hymns and some announcements follow]*

**Worship Leaders:**

**Preacher:** The Rev. Kirby Lawrence Hill

**Liturgist:** The Rev. Aaron Twitchell

**Children's Message:** Ruth Sall

**Choir:** (11:00) Lyndon McNall

**Organ:** Erik Meyer

**In need of special prayers this week:** Len Browna, Laura Lockhart, Sylvia Weed (mother of Kathryn Jablokow), Barbara LaNore (sister of Lynda Smyth), Sylvia Jolly, MM Harris, Herb Harris, Chris Popescu (aunt of Joanne Bates), Doris Boerner, Helen Porter (mother of Joe Porter), Janet Wells (mother of Gwen Bihn), Suzy Paravla (daughter of Susan Davis), Linda Maisenhelder, Christine Kim (wife of Stephen Kim), Will Pompilli (son of Teresa Pompilli), Wayne Gibbons, Jr., Susan Arnhold (friend of Joanne and Jeff Bates), Kris and Erik Reidenbach (friends of Sally Adams), Judy Meissner, Nina DiTimasso and Audrina Rose (friends of Anne-Marie Constable), Barb Kelly, Susan Johnson, John and Phyllis Frazier, Robin Cupo, Laverne King & Terry Lodise (friends of Chris Ellis).

**Sympathy and prayers** for the family of Alice Price, whose father, Raymond Rudy, died this week.

**For Pastoral Care:** To notify the church of an illness, hospitalization, death, or to request prayer, contact a minister or call your Deacon or the Church Office at (215) 887-4530.