



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Shelby Presbyterian Church
July 23, 2023
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: *"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"* (Callahan) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Ann Hoard
Minister of Christian Ed. & Families

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 86) Susan Grose

People of God, let us gather to worship and praise God's name.

I give thanks to you, O God, with my whole heart.

I will glorify your name forever!

For great is your steadfast love for me.

You have delivered my soul from the depths.

God says, "Know that I am with you and
will keep you wherever you go."

*HYMN OF PRAISE #35: *"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"*

CALL TO CONFESSION Susan Grose

Trusting in God's mercy, let us acknowledge to ourselves and each other
those ways we fall short from what God intends for us, all of which God
already knows.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Abba, Father, where we are in
bondage to sin, set us free; restore us as your children and joint heirs
with Christ. You are our hope. Lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.**
(silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI (sung): ***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

The Peace of the Lord be with you! **And also, with you!**

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Carol Ann Hoard

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Susan Grose

Holy God, as we listen to your Word, by your Holy Spirit lead our hearts in the way everlasting. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE: Romans 8:18-25 (NRSV) Susan Grose

ANTHEM: "Psalm 139" (Pote) Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 (NRSV) Carol Ann Hoard

SERMON: "Guess What!?"

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #834: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed): Carol Ann Hoard

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

CALL TO PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Search Me, O God" (arr. Held) Emily Monroe

*DOXOLOGY (sung): **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN #475: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: "March in D" (Yarnold) Emily Monroe

Music Licenses: 1575277 (CCLI)/ A-739540 (One License)

Sound Board: John Brotherton & Joe Petrilli

Ushers: Holly Petrilli, Elizabeth Scheweppe, Marie Jackson, Ali Paksoy

Scriptures read in service are original translations, unless otherwise noted. Feel free to read a familiar translation and listen for different word choices.

CHILDCARE is available each week for infants through preschool in the Nursery (Room 102) and is staffed by Lindsay Carter and Lilly Hamilton. In order to protect your children, please be sure they are accompanied to the nursery by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

WE WELCOME all who worship with us this morning. Please take a moment to fill out the friendship pad in the pews. If you are interested in more information or in becoming a member of our family of faith, please call the church office, 704-487-8503. If you have questions about our hearing loop system, please call the church office Monday-Thursday, 9:00-4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00. **After the service, all first-time visitors are invited to the back of the church where a church member will welcome you with a special gift.**

ICE CREAM SOCIAL today!! Meet at the "Dogwood" picnic shelter at Hanna Park from 3:00-5:00 pm for homemade ice cream, fellowship, and games. Rain location is Ellis Hall.

SPC KIDS CAMP JULY 31 – AUGUST 4: Join us for fun and creative activities. Camp starts at 9:00 and ends at 12:00. All children ages 4 through 5th grade are invited. Please sign up at <https://bit.ly/spc2023kc> or see the newsletter for the QR code.

CAMP NEEDS: Calling all volunteers, we need your help! If you are interested in joining in on the fun please contact Carol Ann, carolann@shelbypres.org. Also, we need animal crackers, goldfish, froot loops, mini marshmallows, letter beads, and bottles of water.

IT'S A RAINBOW CONNECTION CHRISTMAS in July and you are invited. A Rainbow Tree is in the Narthex with tags for needed classroom items and school supplies. Show your love for our preschool by picking a tag, buying the gift, and returning it under the tree with your tag. No wrapping is required. Your participation shows SPC's commitment to the preschool, its teachers, and those cute little kids. Thank you! Rainbow and Mission and Ministry Committees

HART SQUARE AUGUST 8th: We will meet at the church at 9:00 am and journey back in time with an experienced guide through the expansive Hart Square collection. We can take 11 people on the van and we can line up drivers. This is geared for adults but open to all ages. Please signup with Carol Ann (carolann@shelbypres.org) by Sunday, August 6th.

THIS WEEK (JULY 23 - 29, 2023):

Today	3:00 pm	Ice Cream Social at Hanna Park
Monday	9:30 am	Hot Meal Ministry in Ellis Hall
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts in Scout House
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall
Tuesday	10:30 am	Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall
	6:30 pm	Session Meeting in Back Parlor
Thursday	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall & AI-Anon in Back Parlor

IF YOU WOULD LIKE to be added to the Habitat for Humanity Cleveland County mailing list please let Miranda know (miranda@shelbypres.org).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (also see ongoing prayer list in newsletter) . . .

JoAnn and George Beattie, Pam Birmingham, Debra Blanton, Dick Bowling, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Curt Collins, Nancy Davis, Chris Denning, Debbie Ferrell, Ina Harrington, David LeGrand, Cheryl Lutz, Brooke McCurry, Pauline Persing, Finley Price, Clay Pruett, Diane Richards, Steve Sisk, Doreen Wacaster, Jackie Weathers, Teresa Wingo, and the homeless in our community; all with respiratory illnesses; the victims of natural disasters and wars, including the Ukrainian conflict; all in military service and their families; Food Ministry; Turning Point Academy, Rainbow Connection, our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos; Tenwek Hospital; John McCall in Taiwan; Christians around the globe who are persecuted for their faith.