



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Shelby Presbyterian Church
July 16, 2023
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: *"In Thee Is Gladness"* (Wagner) Emily Monroe

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

CALL TO WORSHIP June Hobbs

Your word is lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

Your word is our heritage forever, the joy of our hearts.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #664: *"Morning Has Broken"*

CALL TO CONFESSION June Hobbs

In Christ there is no condemnation, for perfect love casts out sin. Let us confess our sins to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Patient and persistent God, we come, polished and presentable, to this comfortable room as if we knew what to expect, as if this were a safe and predictable place, as if we could simply observe. Holy One, forgive our tepid expectations. In the mystery of your gospel in each of our hearts until we bloom and spill with your passion to serve in a world that is wasting. 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 June Hobbs

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

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

Carol Ann Hoard

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

June Hobbs

God, your word goes out and does not return empty but prospers that for which it was sent. By your Spirit, open our minds to your word this day, that we might walk according to your ways; for the sake of Jesus, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 119:105-112

ANTHEM: "*Harvest Song*" (Alfred/Moser) Bruce Moser & Lyn Huston

*All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise we yield.
Wheat and tares together sown, are to joy or sorrow grown.
O Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome, pure may be.*

*For the Lord our God shall come, take the harvest home,
From the field shall in that day, all offenses purge away,
O come, with all thine angels come, raise the harvest home.*

*Grant that we might understand, through all hardship firm may stand,
Worry not with life's deceits, grow instead to bountiful wheat*

*Even so, Lord quickly come, bring thy harvest home,
Gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
O there, forever purified, close to thee abide.*

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Doug Bryan

SERMON: "Accessibility: Rock & Roll"

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: "*To Share In Love and Sing Our Part*" insert

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: "*Sarabande*" (Young)

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: "*Living Wonders of His Love*"

insert

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: "*Song of Praise*" (Kerrick)

Emily Monroe

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

Sound Board: Chip Blackley and David Grose

Ushers: Elizabeth Schweppe, Marie Jackson, Ali Paksoy, Lori Wehmuller
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.**

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 16 - 21, 2023):

Monday	NEWSLETTERS DUE
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	Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall
Thursday	Mission & Ministry in Back Parlor
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.

To Share in Love and Sing Our Part

Lyrics by Claude Douglas Bryan

Sung to the tune "He Leadeth Me"
by William B. Bradbury

1. God's breath changed dark-ness in - to light; dark wa - ters part - ed by his might. The
 2. Cre - a - tions have their own true voice that grows but God gives us the choice to
 3. To find our voice, both true and right, we face the strug-gles day and night; our
 4. Our song is not for us a - lone; this gift from God is ours on loan; the

Fath - er's song made life be - gin; parts giv - en that the world might sing.
 fol - low him and give our all and join the chor - us of God's call.
 voi - ces can - not find true rest un - til we meet our dai - ly test.
 voice, this mes - sage, we must speak to both the migh - ty and the meek.

Our God and Lord still sings to - day; the Word and Spir - it guide the way. Now

o - pen both our mind and heart to share in love and sing our part.

Living Wonders of His Love

Lyrics by Claude Douglas Bryan

Sung to the tune "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

by John Zundel

1. Stand we now be - fore the Fa - ther, faith in him has made us one.
2. Solve our deep - est fears of race;— bridge the lan - gua - ges we speak;
3. May our days' and years' am - bi - tion show the fruits of life in thee.

Face these mo - ments all to - ge - ther; ho - ly vi - sion shall be done.
Join as one through new - found grace;— give us cou - rage to be meek.
May we live our one true mis - sion, let - ting God's love flow - ing free.

Strength comes from thy per - fect glo - ry; wise are those who seek thy face.
Now re - mem - ber Christ who died;— that we might know har - mo - ny.
Let us share this ho - ly heal - ing with those long - ing to be whole.

Claim we po - wer of thy pre - sence; may thy Word we all em - brace.
Change our faith - less, mis - placed pride;— help us find tran - quil - i - ty.
God has claimed us for his pur - pose, liv - ing won - ders of his love.