



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Shelby Presbyterian Church
October 13, 2024
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: *Prelude on "Ellacombe"* (arr. Lasky) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Drew Mangione

CALL TO WORSHIP Claire McCullough

God, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

Our ancestors trusted in you, and you, O Lord, delivered them.

They cried out and you saved them. They were not put to shame.

God, you are holy. All praise to you, now and forever!

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

CALL TO CONFESSION Claire McCullough

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **God of justice and mercy, we confess that we put ourselves first and trust in things that will not last. Too often, we desire what is to our advantage and miss our chance to put others first. O Lord, be gracious to us in our sin. Forgive us and teach us to love your justice. Guide us to share your mercy. Help us to see the treasure of life with you. 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!**

SPECIAL MUSIC: *"Psalm 100"* (Dennis & Nan Allen) Growing in Grace Choirs
"Jesus, I Trust in You" (Berry)

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Susan Bell
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Claire McCullough

FIRST SCRIPTURE: Psalm 23 (NIV)

ANTHEM: "Goodness of God" (Rouse) Chancel Choir

*I love You, Lord; Oh, Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God
And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God
I love Your voice; You have led me through the fire
And in darkest night You are close like no other
I've known You as a Father; I've known You as a Friend
And I have lived in the goodness of God
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
I give You everything*

SECOND SCRIPTURE: Psalm 103 (NIV & MSG) Susan Bell

SERMON: "Praise Magnifies the Lord"

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: #840 "It is Well with My Soul"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (from the Belhar Confession) **We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects, and cares for the Church through Word and Spirit. God has done this since the beginning of the world and will do it to the end. We believe in one, holy, universal Christian Church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. 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: "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" (arr. 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: #612 "We Praise You, O God"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Drew Mangione

*CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Hebrews Benediction" (Moser)

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY Victoria Couch

*POSTLUDE: "Praise to the Lord" (arr. Young) Emily Monroe

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

Sound Board: David Grose & Joe Petrilli

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 (Rm 102), staffed by Lilly Hamilton, Maggie Hohne, and Heather Johnson. 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.**

CHURCH SUNDAY PICNIC, TODAY, OCTOBER 13TH from 4:00 to 6:00 at the home of Larry and Kathy Wilson (1111 East Sanders Road). If you are able please bring a potluck dish to share and lawn chairs or blanket. The church will provide fried chicken and biscuits. PLEASE KEEP our church family in prayer during this stewardship season, prayerfully considering how God would have you share your time, talents, and treasure.

CALL TO PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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CONSECRATION OF OURSELVES AND AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Litany for Consecration Sunday

- Leader: Heavenly Father, we come before you in prayer on this Consecration Sunday.
- Choir: *We praise your name and remember your faithfulness in every generation.*
- Leader: You are our creator and redeemer, the Lord of all of life.
- Women: *Our times are in your hands - past, present, and future.*
- Men: Amid the cares of our daily lives, make us attentive to your voice and alert to your presence.
- All: ***Help us to live each day for you, in faithfulness to you – to give you the honor and the glory.***
- Leader: Consecrate our lives, O Lord, so even our ordinary moments will be holy.
- All: ***May our lives be an offering.***
- Leader: May our lives be an offering of our acceptable worship.
- All: ***All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, O Lord.***
- Leader: Sisters and brothers, let us present ourselves as a holy and living sacrifice, pleasing to God. Let us bring our hearts and mindset in line with Christ. In transformation and renewal by the Spirit, let us have the confidence to give of ourselves, trusting in the sufficiency of God's grace as proclaimed in Christ's church.
- All: ***We confess that in life and in death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the One Triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. Amen.***

RAINBOW CONNECTION OPEN HOUSE will be held on Thursday, October 17th beginning at 6:00 pm. The congregation is invited and encouraged to attend to find out more about this important ministry of our church.

GAME NIGHT! Plan to bring a snack to share with everyone and come to Ellis Hall from 6 pm to 8pm on Saturday, October 19 for our first Game Night since Montreat. All are welcome. Come join in the fun!

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS: Join us for lunch at Pfeiffer's Café Thursday, October 17 at 11:30! RSVP to Nancy Blackley at 704-484-2964.

THIS WEEK (OCTOBER 13-19, 2024):

Today	4:00 pm	Church Picnic at the Wilson's
Monday	9:00 am	Rainbow Connection closed
	9:30 am	Food 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
	1:00 pm	Blood Drive in Ellis Hall
	5:30 pm	Personnel Committee in Back Parlor
	6:30 pm	Session Meeting in Back Parlor
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Growing in Grace
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room
Thursday	11:30 am	Circle of Friends at Pfeiffer's Cafe
	6:00 pm	Rainbow Connection Open House
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall & AI-Anon in Back Parlor
Saturday	6:00 pm	Game Night in Ellis Hall

THE FALL FESTIVAL will be held in the Courtyard and Ellis Hall Sunday, October 27th from 3:00 to 4:30, for all children through fifth grade. Please drop off candy and prizes to the church office by **Sunday, October 25th**.

DID YOU MISS OUT ON TARTAN GEAR? The Kirkin' O' the Tartans sub-committee is preparing an order for more clothing made in our Shelby Presbyterian Tartan fabric. We still have ties available now, but already some have asked about ordering rosettes, scarves, sashes, and more. If you are interested, please email miranda@shelbypres.org and you will receive an order form to fill out.

Psalm 103, a Psalm of David, New International Version
(with alternate translations from The Message)

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: You can pick up your Operation Christmas Child Shoebox in the Narthex AND under the Elder and Deacon mailboxes. Please return your shoebox by Sunday, October 27th. If you wish to participate but cannot fill a Shoebox, you can donate items which can be packed into Shoeboxes, such as small dolls, balls, stuffed animals, games, puzzles, cards, matchbox cars, cards, picture books, school supplies, craft items, and hygiene items. *Please do not pack liquids, food, or war-related items.* This is a wonderful opportunity for you to participate in sharing God's love on a personal level through an outreach program.
- The Mission & Ministry Committee



Help Write SPC's Advent Devotional!

This year's devotional will continue our theme from Montreat by focusing on the names of the people mentioned in the nativity story.

Would you write a short devotional and/or prayer (just a paragraph or two) reflecting on one person in the nativity and the meaning of their name?

All you have to do is go to bit.ly/24AdventNames and sign up to make your contribution to our joint worship this Advent Season!

SCAN ME 

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

John Auten, Janice Blake, Sid Bridges, Allen Callahan, JoAnn Callahan, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Conway Carter, Betty Clark, Randy Derwin Clark, Kay Clark-James, Debbie Ferrell, Ina Harrington, Tim Hamrick, August Hohne, Scot Horton, Andi Houser, Kevin Jones, Chuck Laughlin, Cheryl Lutz, Brooke McCurry, Nancy Minor, Lisa Perkins-Dodrill, Pauline Persing, Tommy Price, Clay Pruet, Susan Reed, Dot Roark, Larry Stern, Bill & Patty Thorne, Linda Ware, Jackie Weathers, Jack Weller, Stephanie Williams, Teresa Wingo, and our homeless neighbors; the victims of natural disaster and war, including in Ukraine and Israel-Gaza; 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.

- ¹ Praise the Lord, O my soul; All my inmost being, praise His holy name. (Bless God)
- ² Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits (Don't forget a single blessing) –
- ³ who forgives all your sins (every one)
and heals all your diseases (every one)
- ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit (hell) and crowns you with love and compassion (mercy)
- ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. (you're always young in His presence)
- ⁶ The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. (God makes everything come out right, He puts victims back on their feet)
- ⁷ He made known His ways to Moses, His deeds to the people of Israel:
- ⁸ The Lord is compassionate (sheer mercy) and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.
- ⁹ He will not always accuse, nor will He harbor His anger forever;
- ¹⁰ He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities (our wrongs)
- ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great (so strong) is His love for those who fear Him;
- ¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far as He removed our transgressions from us.
- ¹³ As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him;
- ¹⁴ for He knows how we are formed (knows us inside and out); He remembers that we are dust (made of mud).
- ¹⁵ As for man, his days are like grass, he flourishes like a flower of the field;
- ¹⁶ the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.
- ¹⁷ But from everlasting to everlasting (ever and always) the Lord's love is with those who fear Him, and His righteousness (making everything right) with their children's children –
- ¹⁸ with those who keep His covenant and remember to obey His precepts (do whatever He says).
- ¹⁹ The Lord has established His throne in heaven, and His kingdom rules over all.
- ²⁰ Praise the Lord, you His angels, you mighty ones who do His bidding, who obey His word.
- ²¹ Praise the Lord, all His heavenly hosts, you His servants who do His will.
- ²² Praise the Lord, all His works everywhere in His dominion. Praise the Lord, O my soul. (Bless God, all creatures, wherever you are – everything and everyone made by God. And you, o my soul, bless God!)