

Sunday Worship August 8, 2021 I sought the LORD, and God answered me

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 34)
We will bless the Lord at all times.
God's praise will always be on our lips.
Let us magnify the Lord.
Let us lift high the name of God.
O, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Let us worship God together!

OPENING PRA YER.

Almighty God, we thank you for your presence with us as we worship your holy name. Speak to the hearts and minds of all who are gathered, and who we hold close at heart today. As the transitions of life come quickly and sometimes suddenly, keep us aware that we are your beloved, and always in your care. Pour out the blessings of your Spirit in the midst of it all and fill us with your love. Amen

HYMN #392 Jesus We are Here

CALL TO CONFESSION PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we confess that many times we forget that you are Lord of all. We get so caught up in our own needs and wants that we embrace selfish ways. These ways serve only our pride. At times, we care more about the things that society and culture say are important. We do not live in the ways of compassion and love, justice and mercy, repentance and forgiveness that are taught to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Forgive us. Create clean hearts in us. Put new, faithful spirits deep inside us—every day, every hour, every minute. Amen

WORDS OF BLESSING AND ASSURANCE

Beloved of God, from time to time our minds play tricks on us and our feelings misinform us. Be assured that we are never out of God's reach; there is no such thing as being too far gone. God sees us. God hears us. God loves us. In Christ, we are forgiven. In Christ, we are redeemed. Thanks be to God. *GLORIA PATRI

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.

Readingfrom the Psalms Psalm 34: I -8

- 34: I I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- 34:2 My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- 34:3 0 magnify the LORD with me and let us exalt his name together.
- 34:4 1 sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.
- 34:5 Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.
- 34:6 This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble.
- 34: 7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.
- 34:8 0 taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

HYMN #822 When We are Living

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Kings 19:4-8

- 19:4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."
- 19:5 Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."
- 19:6 He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and ajar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.
- 19: 7 The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."
- 19:8 He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

SERMON Get Up and Eat!

STATEMENT OF FAITH The Apostle's Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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.

RECOGNITION OF THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

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

Gracious God, we thank you for our present abundance and for the many blessings you have bestowed upon this community. We thank you for our faith, for our knowledge of you, and for the assurance of your love. May all these gifts be a blessing to those in need. Amen.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD 'S PRA YER

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.

HYMN#702 Christ Beside Me

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* indicates where the congregation is to stand if able italic type is spoken by the liturgist — bold is spoken by the congregation

ANNOUNCEMENTS: August 8, 2021

Please wear a mask unless you are fully vaccinated

Pastor Su's Summer Vacation: Pastor Su will be away from August 2 — 29. While she is away, pastoral emergencies will be handled by our deacons and elders. If you have a need, please contact Maggie Rash or Missi Dell 'Orefice. Pulpit supply will be provided by some of our favorites. It is always wonderful to hear different voices speaking God's truth from the pulpit. Please pray for Pastor Su that she will enjoy refreshment and renewal while she is away.

Wednesday noontime lunch continues through the summer: Bring your lunch and your good company as we share fellowship together at noon.

<u>BLOOD DRIVE SEPT 11 TH 8AM</u> to IPM in Fellowship Hall. Due to ongoing, but thankfully lessening Covid concerns, there will be safety precautions and screening of donors. The Red Cross strongly encourages prescheduled appointments instead of walk-ins. Schedule your appointment today, please call or email Dana Daniels at 215 450 0705, <u>dldpineville@verizon.net</u>. Thank you!

Fall Focus: Our next newsletter will be emailed/mailed the beginning of September. Any articles, updates and pictures that you would like included, please have to Susan in the office no later than August 24th.

<u>Calendar:</u> August 11 — 12PM — Lunch continues through the summer. Bring your lunch. August 15—1 OAM- Sunday services in church and on Zoom.

https://zoom.us/i/127591875 Meeting ID: 127 591 875 or by phone: 301-715-8592 or 253-215-8782. Ryon Herin will be our Pulpit supply for the morning.

In our thoughts and prayers: The Conner/Lang Family, Diane Dauer, Aleena Lang,
Natalie Pizza, Bill Wark, Raymond Tinari, Dick Wright, Gail Shaffer, The Cullerton family, John Thiessen,
Lori Tinari.