



J. J. WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
July 14, 2024 * 10:30 AM

Gathering

Prelude	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	arr. Joe Raney
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Cassie Alston
Introit	<i>Come Down, Lord</i>	Stan Pethel
Call to Worship		<i>Psalm 24</i>

The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it; the world, and those who live in it,
For he has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.
 Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?
Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false and do not swear deceitfully.
 They will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from the God of their salvation.
Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.
 Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!
Who is the King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle.
 Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!
Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the king of glory!

Gathering Prayer

Holy God, open our hearts that Christ, the King of Glory, may enter and rule our lives. Give us clean hands and pure hearts, that we may stand in your presence and receive your blessing through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***Hymn No. 749** *Rejoice in God's Saints* HANOVER
1 John 1:8-9

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But when we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness *Phil. 3:9*

Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith. Beloved people of God, believe the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Amen.**

Word

Anthem *Goodness of God* Jenn Johnson
 featuring Dierdre Reynolds, alto

Prayer for Illumination

Pour out your Holy Spirit, O God, and prepare our hearts to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that, hearing, we may also obey your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Scripture: *2 Samuel 6:1-19*

Sermon	<i>God's Glorious Presence</i>	
*Affirmation of Faith	<i>The Apostles' Creed</i>	Hymnal, p. 14
*Hymn No. 805 (Gloria Patri)	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	GREATOREX
*Hymn No. 134	<i>The King of Glory Comes</i>	PROMISED ONE

The Invitation to the Offering

The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it. Let us return to God offerings: the gifts of the earth and our very lives.

Offertory *Here I Am, Lord* arr. Jack Schrader
***Hymn No. 809 (Doxology)** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Heaven and earth are yours, O God, and of your own we give you. Blessed are you, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, for your kingdom and to your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Sending

***Hymn No. 29** *O Worship the King* LYONS

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude *Lord of the Dance* arr. Mark Hayes

*Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

Welcome to worship!

All who worship here are joyfully welcomed into our midst! To our visitors, we offer a special welcome and invite you to join us again soon. Please fill out the blue card in your pew and place it in the offering plate when passed.

Vacation Bible School is this week! July 17-19, 2024 (5:00-7:30 PM)

Come to Camp Firelight July 17, 18, and 19 for a summer camp adventure with God! Children will enjoy summer camp fun as they explore Bible stories that demonstrate how people trusted God and did great things in God's name. We can do the same! Please contact Melisa DeCoux if you would like to volunteer, and invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join in the fun!

Celebration of the Life of Winbourne "Win" Sullivan

A service celebrating the life of Winbourne "Win" Sullivan will be held at Hartman-Jones Funeral Chapel on Thursday, July 18, at 2:30 p.m. with visitation from 12:30-2:30.

Record from Last Sunday *Attendance: 49* *Offering: \$1907.00*

Upcoming Events at J. J. White Memorial Presbyterian

Wednesday, 7/17	7:15 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday, 7/18	5:00-7:00 PM	Nutty Knitters (Ewell Martin Room)
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 7/17-19	5:00-7:30 PM	CAMP FIRELIGHT: Vacation Bible School
Sunday, 7/21	10:30 AM	Worship: Vacation Bible School Sunday

Questions for Reflection:

The lectionary readings this week suggest comparing the exuberant dancing and merrymaking of David to Paul's enthusiastic description of the Christian's calling, while contrasting these to the deathly revelry of Herod's court. How do you know which present-day occasions to celebrate with all your might and which to speak out against?

Household Prayer: Morning

O God of steadfast love and faithfulness, as I awaken this day in expectation, I turn my heart toward you, for I am your beloved. Fill me with your wisdom and insight and guide my feet into the way of peace as I walk your righteous path. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Recounting both the blessings and challenges of this day, I give thanks to you, O God, for my hope is in Christ who makes all things new, and so I rest this night. Amen.

(Long, Kimberly Bracken, ed. *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion, Liturgies for Year B, vol. 1*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2014, p. 120-121.)

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