

Grove Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship

(7th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

10:15 AM

February 19, 2017

--Ready for the Word--

Announcements and Welcome

Moment for Mission

Ollie Wagner

Musical Prelude

“Medley: Children’s Camp Songs”

Invitation to Worship

Leader: Come foolish people; God is calling us. The God of all time and space wants our attention.

People: Why are we called foolish in the church? Does God think we are foolish people?

Leader: Have we embraced the world’s talk and actions? Have we turned away from God’s expectations?

People: People call us foolish when we take faith seriously. The world thinks us strange if we are different.

Leader: God says to us: You shall be holy because I am. You shall be true and just, generous and loving.

People: How can God expect us to be perfect? How can we help others if we don’t fit in?

Prayer of Invocation

O God, we trust in your power, even as it is often found in weakness; we trust in your wisdom, even as it is expressed in seeming foolishness; we trust in your wholeness, even as it comes to us amid brokenness. We come, this day, simply to worship you. Touch us this day, O Lord, that we might become your saints, your body, your children, your church. For this temple of your Spirit is built not upon our own abilities, knowledge, or restorative skill, but upon you, in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Choral Beginning

“Rise and Shine”

*We Sing Together

Hymnbook No. 442

“The Church’s One Foundation”

We Confess Together

Gracious and loving God, we know that we have allowed the worries of this world to drive us away from your vision for our lives. We feel that there is strife and contention all around us and so now we cry out to you, O God, and confess that we are powerless and have taken our focus off your Word, that we have not allowed your Word to work in our lives. Yet we continue to cry out to you in times of trouble and need. Grant us understanding and wisdom that we may see your vision and apply it in our lives. Hear our prayer, O God, and call us back to you.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: The scriptures tell us that God’s love will find us no matter how far away we are from the Word. Just as Jesus found Zacchaeus hiding in a tree, God will find us and bring us home.

People: It does not matter what we have done wrong, we still belong to God. We have the assurance that God will rescue us.

Leader: This is the good news of the Gospel!

*Response

Hymnbook No. 322

“Spirit of the Living God”

-- Receiving the Word--

*Passing of the Peace and Children’s Story (*congregation seated*)

*Song of Praise

Insert

Camp Songs

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 567)

Psalms 119:33-40

New Testament Lesson (page 167) 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

Reflection

“**Laying a Sure Foundation**”

Musical Offering

arranged by Hayes

“Give Me Jesus”

--Responding to the Word--

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

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, for ever. Amen.

Offertory arranged by Hayes

“Morning Has Broken”

*Hymn of Commitment Insert

“There Shall Be Showers of Blessing”

*Blessing

Leader: Go forth as a holy people, filled with the Spirit. Delight in following God’s commandments.

People: We seek to be honest and caring. We labor to serve, not for selfish gain.

Leader: Show love to neighbors and even to enemies.

People: We reach out to help, not to reap rewards; and we strive to be generous.

Leader: All things belong to you in Christ. You are gifted by God to share God’s love. Know that God trusts you. Seek to be worthy of that trust. Now go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen.

*Response – sung with Congregation by Sleeth

“Go Now In Peace”

Go now in peace, go now in peace, May the love of God surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go. (repeat 1x)

*Musical Postlude

“I’m in the Lord’s Army”

*Please rise as able

Participants in today’s service include: Lynne A. Pabst (worship leader, children’s story), Adam Zakarian, Eric Deeter, Steve Lewis (camp song leaders), Kessey Keiselhorst (musical offering), Senior Choir (responses), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Penny Dollar (reflection). Reflection for next week: “*It’s a Conspiracy*”