

Grove Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship

(2nd Sunday after Pentecost)

9:30 AM

June 18, 2017

--Ready for the Word--

Announcements and Welcome

Musical Prelude

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

with

“Southwind”

Invitation to Worship

*Leader: Gather together to hear stories of faith and courage.
Listen for the ways God has acted among us.*

People: Our ancestors in the faith listened for God’s words. They dared believe God’s promises.

Leader: They looked beyond the present moment.

People: They lived for dreams not yet realized.

Leader: Let us worship God!

Choral Beginning

by de Blicek

“Wake Up My Soul”

Psalm 103

*We Sing Together

Hymnbook No. 464

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

We Confess Together

Dear Lord, we often fail to remember that you are always with us. We find ourselves denying your love when we deny our love for others. We often appear more burdened than joyful in the midst of the wondrous gift of life. Dear Lord, forgive us for our shortsightedness. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: God’s favor is given to us as a gift. Sincere confession is met with caring acceptance.

People: God hears the prayers of our hearts and grants us peace the world cannot give.

Leader: We are free to share in God’s glory.

*Response

Hymnbook No. 379, verse 1

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus’ name. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

--Receiving the Word--

*Passing of the Peace

Children’s Story

*Song of Praise

Hymnbook No. 430

“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 14)

Genesis 18: 1-15

New Testament Lesson (page 136)

Acts 16: 6-10

Reflection

“The Theology of Plan B”

Musical Offering

by Hayes

“Eagle’s Wings”

--Responding to the Word--

Prayers of the People and 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, for ever. Amen.

Offertory

“Aberystwyth”

*Hymn of Commitment

Hymnbook No. 276

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*Blessing

*Choral Benediction

by Nolan

“Peace Go With You”

*Musical Postlude

by Broughton

“With Joy Unending”

*Please rise as able

Participants in today’s service include: Cynthia M. Dark (worship leader), AJ Bashore, Rev. Cureton (prelude, offertory), Lynne Pabst (children’s story), Senior Choir (musical offering, choral responses), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Steve Cureton (reflection). Reflection for next week: Visiting Preacher, Sally Dries - **“Daring Discipleship”**