

Grove Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship
(10th Sunday after Pentecost)

9:30 AM

August 13, 2017

--Ready for the Word--

Announcements and Welcome

Musical Prelude

by Bach

“Bist Du Bei Mir”
Are You Near Me?

Invitation to Worship

from Psalm 121: 1-2

Leader: I look to the mountains;

People: where will my help come from?

Leader: My help will come from the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Choral Beginning – *sung with Congregation* Hymnbook No. 483

“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

Verse 1

*We Sing Together

Hymnbook No. 485

“To God Be the Glory”

We Confess Together

Gracious God, we admit the sin that mars our lives, that makes us fearful, that keeps our world in turmoil, and it makes us all feel so inadequate. We seek the forgiveness made possible in Jesus’ death and resurrection. We pray that we will be inspired by forgiveness to undo whatever damage we have done in peoples’ lives. Forgive us, we pray, in the name of Christ. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: As sure as God understands us, as sure as Christ died on the cross, as sure as the Holy Spirit will be guiding us into future days, we can be certain we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!! Amen.

*Response *to the tune of “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

Thee we own, a perfect Savior, Only source of all that’s good.

Ev’ry grace and ev’ry favor, Comes to us through Jesus’ blood.

All our prayers and all our praises, Rightly offered in His name.

He that dictates them is Jesus; He that answers is the same.

--Receiving the Word--

*Passing of the Peace

Children’s Story

*Song of Praise

Hymnbook No. 404

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Prayer for Understanding

Musical Offering

by Getty

“Speak, O Lord”

Old Testament Lesson (page 34)

Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28

New Testament Lesson (page 16)

Matthew 14: 22-23

Reflection

“Hang In There”

--Responding to the Word--

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

Hymnal pg. 16

Offertory

by Rachmaninoff

“Vocalise”

*Hymn of Commitment

Hymnbook No. 377

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

*Blessing

*Choral Benediction – *sung with Congregation*

Insert

“Go Now in Peace”

Musical Postlude – *please remain seated*

by Malotte

“The Lord’s Prayer”

*Please rise as able

Today we welcome Rev. Ray Brown. Rev. Brown and his wife Louise live in Selinsgrove since his retirement in 2001. He is a second career United Church of Christ minister and a graduate of Lancaster Theological Seminary. He served churches in western Maryland and southwestern Pennsylvania. The Browns have three sons, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Welcome Rev. Brown.

Participants in today’s service include: Kessey Kieselhorst (worship leader), Cathy Sanders (musical offering), Senior Choir (choral beginning and benediction), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Ray Brown (children’s story, reflection) James Kent (prelude, offertory, postlude). James Kent, brother of Allison Cotner, plays trombone with the Bruckner Orchester Linz in Linz, Austria. Visiting preacher for next week – The Rev. Sally Dries. Sermon: **“Bold Moves”**