

# ***Extending God's Grace throughout Northeast Texas***

**First Presbyterian Church—Winnsboro, TX**

**October 1, 2017**

**Rev. Dr. Julie Adkins**

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**World Communion Sunday**

The chimes, the flames, and the waters

**Welcome**

\*=Stand, if able

## **Preparing to Receive the Word**

**Prelude**

**Opening Responsive Reading**

*(from Psalm 89)*

I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

**I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;  
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;

**Steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.**

Let us praise and worship God!

**Prayer of Adoration**

\*Hymn of Praise: #465

**“Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather”**

**Prayer of Confession**

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments, through Jesus Christ our Savior (A few moments for the silent confession of personal sin)...**Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

\*The 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. Amen.”

**Time With the Younger Church**

## **Receiving the Word**

**The Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Reading: Exodus 17:1-7@**

**Epistle Reading: Philippians 2:1-13@**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:23-32@**

*Koine* Greek – Julie Adkins

French – Becky Poe

Latin – Sandy Corder

Spanish – Tricia Clark

German – Lucy Hebron

English – Jane Els

**Sermon: “God Is Not Interested in Reading Your Lips”**

\*Hymn of Meditation: #400

**“When We Are Living / Pues Si Vivimos”**

## **Responding To The Word**

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical) pg. 15

**The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves**

\*The Doxology -- “Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen”

\*The Prayer of Dedication

**Invitation To The Lord's Table**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (Responsive)**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

. . . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

. . . . Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

**Lord's Prayer** (...debts/debtors...)

**Breaking of Bread and Communion of God's People**

**Prayer After Communion**

**\*Hymn of Sending: #439**

**"In Christ There Is No East or West"**

**\*The Charge and Benediction**

**\*The Benediction Response:**

(tune is #538)

**Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace;**

**Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.**

**O refresh us, O refresh us, Traveling through this wilderness.**

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### **Communion By Intinction**

Communion is open to all who trust Jesus as Lord, and are baptized in his name. As the usher directs you, come forward with open hands. When you are given the bread take it to the chalice and dip it in. Eat the bread once it has been dipped. If you would prefer to take the elements separately, you may eat the bread when you receive it and then take one of the small cups of juice available on the other side of the chalice. Those challenged with mobility may remain seated. You will have the opportunity to be served in the pew.

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