

Extending God's Grace throughout Northeast Texas

First Presbyterian Church—Winnsboro, TX

January 14, 2018

Rev. Dr. Julie Adkins

Second Sunday after Epiphany

The chimes, the flames, and the waters

Welcome

*=Stand, if able

Preparing to Receive the Word

Prelude

Opening Responsive Reading

(from Psalm 139)

O Lord, you have searched us and known us.

You know when we sit down and when we rise up.

You discern our thoughts from far away. You search our paths and our lying down, and are acquainted with all our ways.

How weighty are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

We try to count them – they are more than the sand.

When we come to the end, we are still with you.

Let us praise and worship God!

Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Praise: #483

“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

Prayer of Confession

Mighty God, you are creator of all, yet we confess that we have not served you with the fullness of commitment you deserve. You call, O God, but we fail to listen. You ask us to follow, but we go our own way. You offer us new life, but we choose to tread old, familiar paths that are empty and barren. In your mercy, loving God, forgive our sin. Replace our waywardness with faithful trust. Renew our spirits by your Spirit. Free our hearts from the grip of sin. Lead us to follow and serve Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord (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: 1 Samuel 3:1-20@

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20@

Gospel Reading: John 1:43-51@

Sermon: “No Deceit!”

*Hymn of Meditation: #522

“Lord, When I Came into This Life”

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: #507**

"I Come with Joy"

***The Charge and Benediction**

***The Benediction Response:**

(tune is #210)

**Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while life shall last,
And our eternal home.**

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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