# Extending God's Grace throughout Northeast Texas First Presbyterian Church—Winnsboro, TX Dr. John Coleman July 27, 2025 Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

The Chimes, the Flames, and the Waters Greetings and Announcements
\*=Stand. if able

# We Prepare to Receive the Word

#### Prelude

**Call to Worship (Responsive)** 

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

I will tell of your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in you;

I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and shield.

Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you

Let us worship the Lord our God.

# **Opening Prayer**

\*Hymn: #485 "To God Be the Glory"

## **Confession - Unison**

Merciful God, we pray the Lord's Prayer each week, even daily, but we do not always walk the walk. We pray that your kingdom will come and your will be done, but we are reluctant to do the work of justice and mercy that characterize your kingdom. We ask for our daily bread and then hoard as much as we can. We ask you to forgive us as we have forgiven others, but we are quick to anger and slow to forgive. Loving God, have mercy on us and forgive us our sin. Help us to seek your will for our lives and walk in the way of Jesus Christ; in whose name we pray. Amen. [a moment for silent confession] 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."

## We Receive the Word

The Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 138 @

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13@ Scripture: Isaiah 43:19

@- This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Walking With Others in the Wilderness"

# We Respond to The Word

\*Hymn: #333 "Seek Ye First"

\*Affirmation of Faith: (from The Confession of 1967)

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. We confess that Jesus Christ is God with us, the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. We believe that the risen Christ is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the foundation of all we say about God, ourselves, and the world. Amen.

**Prayers of Intercession** 

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

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

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: #281 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction response: STF #2164 "Sanctuary" Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

## To our guest

We are so glad that you joined us today. We believe that it was no accident that you came here, and that God has given us the opportunity to share the love, grace, and saving gospel of Jesus with you. And so, it is our prayer that you feel loved in this place, and we want you to know that you are welcome no matter what is going on in your life. We will embrace you with the same grace that God has embraced us with, and we will proclaim to you the same good news that has called us and saved us. If you want to make this church your home, and these people your family let us know after the service or by phone or email later this week. We would love to welcome you into Jesus' family.

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