

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Northside Presbyterian Church - July 26, 2020

GATHERING MUSIC – *“God of Our Life”* - Walt Bostian et al

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT – *“I’ve Got a Home in That Rock”*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be God, whose word gives hope and shapes our dreams,
Whose love has conquered death.

Blessed be God, who orders our way and guides our steps,
Who leads us into life.

HYMN – *“Let Us Build a House”*

**Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:**

Refrain:

all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

**Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they’ve known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God’s face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: (Refrain)**

PRAYER OF PRAISE

CONFESSION

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our withered imaginations until we yield the judgments we trust to a love we cannot control. Amen.

(silence)

GOSPEL – Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 – Sandi Webster

OFFERING OF MUSIC – *“Calling You”*

OLD TESTAMENT – Genesis 29:15-28

SERMON – *“Trick or Treat”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN – *“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”*

**1 I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,
the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.**

**2 I love thy church, O God. Her walls before thee stand,
dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.**

**4 Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways:
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

**We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.
We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.
Alleluia! We will go out with joy. Alleluia! Alleluia!
We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.
We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.**

Please be in prayer for:

Revathi Balakrishnan
Susan Dickerson
Bonnie Church
Hazel Hale

Camille Hodges
Drew Taylor
Edd Stoops
Kurt Stephenson

Today’s musicians: Walt Bostian, Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster,
Pat Fullen
Videographer – Marshall Chaney