

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Northside Presbyterian Church – July 4, 2021

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP*

In faith, let us turn to our God, whose love is sure.

Jesus Christ, the crucified Lord, calls us to believe the good news of salvation.

His grace is sufficient for us.

**We will enter into God's new realm rejoicing, not in our own strength,
but in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

HYMN* – *"Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator" (18, v. 1-3)*

**1 Hallelujah! Sing praise to your Creator, sun, moon, and stars and angels above.
Praise the Lord, whose word established the heavens,
who upholds all the earth in power and love.
God reigns on high, let the heavens rejoice!
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**2 Praise the Lord, all mountains and oceans,
rolling thunder and wind and storm clouds on high.
Praise the Lord, your Maker, all living creatures,
all the beasts in the fields and birds in the sky.
Both young and old, come and join in the song!
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**3 Give to God all glory and honor. From the depths to the heights let praises resound
to the Lord, the source of strength and salvation
for all people on whom God's favor is found.
Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own!
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PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION

Holy Three, Holy One, triune God, too often we do not believe that you have overcome sin and death. We are more in touch with the pangs of our weakness than we are with the power of your love. In fear, we worship idols; in despair, we collapse in hopelessness; in rage, we seek to dominate others. O God, forgive us, have mercy on us, grant us peace. Send us out with the good news: nothing can withstand the victory of the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

(silence)

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.

GOSPEL – Mark 6:1-13 – Lucian Robinson

OLD TESTAMENT – Numbers 22:22:35

SERMON – *“Weird Animals in the Bible: Talking Donkeys”*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

*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.***

Let us pray. We praise you, O God. . . . Therefore, we join our voices to those of the faithful in earth and heaven saying:

Holy, 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.

Words of Institution

Sharing of bread and cup

Prayer: **Gracious God, you have gathered us at this table with all your people in heaven and on earth. We have been nourished by the living bread, Jesus Christ, and we have been refreshed by the power of your Holy Spirit. May we now go out as glad disciples of our Lord, following in his way, proclaiming his truth, and living his love for the world. Amen.**

HYMN – *“The Right Hand of God” (332, v. 1-4)*

1 The right hand of God is writing in our land, writing with power and with love; our conflicts and our fears, our triumphs and our tears, are recorded by the right hand of God.

2 The right hand of God is pointing in our land, pointing the way we must go; so clouded is the way, so easily we stray, but we’re guided by the right hand of God.

3 The right hand of God is striking in our land, striking out at envy, hate, and greed. Our selfishness and lust, our pride and deeds unjust, are destroyed by the right hand of God.

**4 The right hand of God is healing in our land, healing broken bodies, minds, and souls;
so wondrous is its touch with love that means so much,
when we're healed by the right hand of God.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG (295, v. 2)

**Go to the world! Go into every place. Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Please be in prayer for:

Revathi Balakrishnan	Drew Taylor & family	Wayne Brill
Edd Stoops	Susan Dickerson	Andy & Jean Robeson
Ron Pearson	Wava Bowles	Susan Miller
Wanda Price	Susan Dickerson	Ricky McMahan
Carlos Cox	J.D. Olinger	Walter Hale

All those suffering with Covid or grieving the loss of a loved one

Musicians: Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster, Pat Fullen
Video Technicians – Marshall Chaney, Bruce Harper