

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Northside Presbyterian Church – September 12, 2021

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Look at the heavens! They are shouting the glory of God.

*The days and the nights declare the magnificence of God's creative works.
Their voice goes through all the earth and their words reach the ends of the world.*

HYMN* – *"Lift High the Cross" (825, v. 1, 4)*

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

1 Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod, the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. (Refrain)

4 So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory. (Refrain)

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION

You have called us, O God, and we have refused to listen; you have stretched out your hand and we have not taken it. We have taken what you have given us and used those gifts unwisely and selfishly. We have refused to be tamed by your wisdom. Forgive us for not living out the reality of your gospel. Help us understand your place in our lives so that our words and actions reflect the glory of God in the lives of others.

(silence)

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

GOSPEL – Mark 8:27-38 – Heidi Harper

OFFERING OF MUSIC – Pat Fullen

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE – James 3:1-12

SERMON – *"Being Disciples: Taming the Tongue"*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN – “Open Your Ears, O Faithful People” (453, v. 1-2)

**1 Open your ears, O faithful people; open your ears and hear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood; God has come to you.**

Refrain:

**God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!
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**2 They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears, now let them hear;
they who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word. (Refrain)**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG (543, v. 1)

**God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me: O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

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	Frances Hutcheson	Dennis Sweeney
Jeff Kallas (Bronwyn Robinson's husband)		
Tammy McClintock	Shirley Larson	
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 (varies)
Video Technicians – Marshall Chaney, Bruce Harper