

Ken Mawr United Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 25, 2021

Workcamp Sunday

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Preparation for Worship

“Way Maker”

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You are here, working in this place. I worship You, I worship You.

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Welcome

I'm so very glad to see you on this Workcamp Sunday and excited to see and hear from the group of students and adults that made a trip last month to East Bank, West Virginia to share the love of God not only with their words and actions, but with hammers, saws and paintbrushes. Group Mission Trips, the organization we have partnered with for over 20 years, says this about their purpose: “The non-profit mission ministry of Group Cares, we work hard to bring meaningful service to the communities we serve. Since our beginning, thousands of mission trip participants have racked up millions of volunteer hours serving people in need. All these years later, one constant remains true: We strongly believe in providing opportunities for youth to encounter Jesus through serving others either in their own backyard or halfway across the country.” -Pastor Karl

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

Hymn of Praise

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

Amazing grace how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me

I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed

My chains are gone, I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me.

And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

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The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.
But God who called me here below, will be forever mine, will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

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Prayer of Confession—based on Psalm 51:10-12

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Congregational Response #374

**Purify my heart, let me be as gold and precious silver,
Purify my heart let me be as gold, pure gold.
Refiner's fire; my heart's one desire is to be holy,
Set apart for You, Lord. I choose to be holy,
Set apart for You, my Master, ready to do Your will.**

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Time with the Children (Kids spell Love T-I-M-E)

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

...Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response

***Lead us Lord, lead us in your righteousness; Make your way plain for us to see.
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Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. 2 But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." 3 Then Jesus told them this parable:

11 Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. 13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the

pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. 17 “When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’ 20 So he got up and went to his father. “But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. 21 “The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ 22 “But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate. 25 “Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 27 ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’ 28 “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. 29 But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’ 31 “‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’” (NIV)

Workcamp 2021 Reflections

“Our Welcome Mat”

Pastor Karl

A Prayer of Thanksgiving, Blessing and Devotion

**Our God and Father, we thank you for your Word and Spirit,
through which we know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
May we who confess your name today never cease
to wonder at what you have done for us.
Help us to continue firmly in the faith,
to bear witness to your love, and to let
the Holy Spirit shape our lives.
Take us, good Shepherd, into your care
that we may faithfully endure opposition
that we may face as we serve you.
May we, with all your children,
live together in the joy and power of your Holy Spirit.
We ask this, Lord Jesus, in the hope of your coming. Amen.**

GO IN GOD’S NAME

Hymn

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You are here, touching every heart. I worship You, I worship You.

You are here, healing every heart. I worship You, I worship You.

You are here, turning lives around. I worship You, I worship You.

You are here, mending every heart. I worship You, I worship You.

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You wipe away all tears, You mend the broken heart, You're the answer to it all, Jesus.

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You are here, meeting every need. I worship You, I worship You.

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Benediction

Thank you for worshiping with us!

