



Wycliffe

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To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to whoever will come - this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

LET US WORSHIP

***PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW** (*stand in body or spirit & sing*)

***PSALM 72** (*all read the bold*)

*May there be abundant grain throughout the land.
May the fruit trees flourish like the trees of Lebanon,
and may the people thrive like grass in a field.*

*Praise the Lord God, the God of Israel,
who alone does such wonderful things.*

Praise his glorious name forever!

Let the whole earth be filled with his glory.

***HYMN 265 "JESUS SHALL REIGN WHERE'ER THE SUN"**

(*stand in body or spirit & sing*)

Share the Peace of Christ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's time with the Pastor





Hear these words from Matthew's gospel (16:24-28)

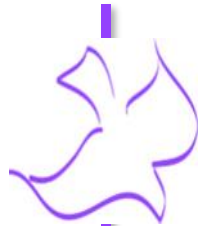
Then Jesus said to his followers, "If people want to follow me, they must give up the things they want. They must be willing even to give up their lives to follow me. Those who want to save their lives will give up true life, and those who give up their lives for me will have true life. It is worthless to have the whole world if they lose their souls. They could never pay enough to buy back their souls. The Son of Man will come again with his Father's glory and with his angels. At that time, he will reward them for what they have done. I tell you the truth, some people standing here will see the Son of Man coming with his kingdom before they die."

Hymn 579 "Lord, Have Mercy" (sing only vs. 1)

A TIME OF CONFESSION *(all read the bold)*

When our love is not genuine; when we have failed to hold fast to what is good: when we have not turned from what is evil, Lord, have mercy. We confess times when we have not honored others and times we have chosen to serve ourselves over you.

Forgive our selfishness, heal our fear, and deepen our trust in your grace, that we may let go of our lives, take up the cross of love, and receive true life from you.



All sing "Lord, Have Mercy" (screen, or p.579-hymnal)

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE & PARDON . . .

and all say Thanks be to God.



SCRIPTURE ~ ROMANS 12: 9-21

THE WORD OF GOD IS OPENED TO US

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HYMN 693 "THOUGH I MAY SPEAK"

(remain seated & sing)



A TIME OF PRAYER

followed by The Lord's Prayer (screen)

WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH *(all read the bold)*

People of God, in whom do you trust?

We love and trust you, God, creator of the universe,
who brings light out of darkness and is in all things.

We love and trust you, Jesus, crucified and risen,
who healed the sick and fed the hungry,
who gave hope to the despairing and raised us to new life.

We love and trust you, O Holy Spirit, and your unifying power.

The diversity in the early church was a source of tension and conflicts. Yet the Spirit bound them into one body, enriched and strengthened by their difference. We acknowledge the same Spirit at work among us, not to destroy diversity or compel uniformity, but to overcome divisiveness and bitterness.

The Spirit yearns and works in us for the healing of our brokenness.

***HYMN 547 "GO MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING"** *(stand in body or spirit)*

***THE BENEDICTION**

*All are welcome to the fellowship hall for coffee & conversation
(to the left as you leave the sanctuary)*



Giving is a natural overflow of a heart that is grateful for Jesus, who gave everything for us. A basket is available on the table as you leave the sanctuary for contributions of checks or cash. A secure link for electronic giving is available on the church's website at www.wycliffepresbyterian.org



The sanctuary flowers this Sunday are given to the glory of God by
Chuck and Ruth Ann Steenburgh in honor of their 64th wedding anniversary!!



Wycliffe Quick Calendar

September 1: (12:15pm) Pastor's Lunch @ Terrapin (3102 Holly Rd.)
September 12: (7:30am) Men's Breakfast + Bible Study (Sunrise Cafe)
September 13: RALLY DAY!!
September 15: (12pm) Ladies Lunch @ Wang Jiang Lou (550 First Colonial)
September 17: (3:30pm) Grief Support (Room 207)
September 18: Ready Bag Rally @ Norfolk Scope (meet at church @ 5pm)
September 22: (7:15pm) Langley Winds Dectet Concert (Sanctuary)



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