



May God be
gracious &
bless us~

Wycliffe

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May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you on this road. May the Christ who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve. May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart open your hearts to love. May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet, and may all you meet see the face of Christ in you.

LET US WORSHIP

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

***PSALM 67** (*all read the bold*)

*May God be gracious to us and bless us, and make his face shine upon us,
**that God's way may be known upon the earth,
and God's saving power among all nations.***

*Let the people praise you, O God;
let all the people praise you.*

*Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge with equity and guide the nation upon earth.*

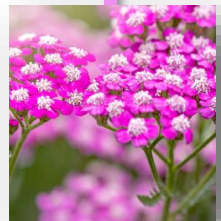
*The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.
**May God continue to bless us
and all the ends of the earth revere the Lord.***

***HYMN 837 "WHAT A FELLOWSHIP"** (*stand in body or spirit & sing*)

Share the Peace of Christ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's time with the Pastors



Hear these words from the prophet Isaiah (56:1, 6-7, NIV)

This is what the Lord says: "Maintain justice and do what is right, for my salvation is close at hand and my righteousness will soon be revealed. And foreigners who bind themselves to the Lord to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold fast to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain and give them joy in my house of prayer.

"Their offerings and sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations."



SCRIPTURE ~ MATTHEW 15:10-28

THE WORD OF GOD IS OPENED TO US

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HYMN 468 "IN MY LIFE, LORD"

(remain seated & sing v. 1 & 4 only)



"Knowing Just Enough Language to Beg" (Bill Ayres)

A foreign woman had the nerve to ask help for her daughter.

Jesus said, "Sorry, lady, not my job.

I'm here for the citizens."

*She said, "Yes, but even the dogs
under the table get crumbs."*

Who knows if he smiled? If he laughed?

He cured the girl;

then he told his disciples,

"Write down what she said,

It's worth remembering."

A TIME OF PRAYER

followed by The Lord's Prayer (screen)



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

*Holy God, you said, "Maintain justice and do what is right," for salvation is near,
but we confess that we have not lived as Your people.*



We may honor with our lips or presence, but our hearts wander.
*And within us, unclean things grow - resentment, pride, prejudice, impatience,
and we tend to judge others by their looks, their nationality, their culture.*

**Forgive us when we fail to welcome all.
Forgive us for withholding compassion.
Forgive us for shrinking your house of prayer
to fit our own comfort and boundaries.**

*Cleanse our hearts. Renew our minds. Restore our witness. Make us joyful in your presence.
All sing "In My Life, Lord" v. 2 & 3 (screen, or p.468-hymnal)*

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE & PARDON . . . and all say Thanks be to God.

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

People of God, in whom do you believe?

We believe in God who lovingly calls all things into being -
whose mercy gathers us, whose justice guides us, and whose steadfast love never fails.

We believe in Jesus Christ, who lived among us, welcoming the forgotten;
who died and rose again so that life - not fear, not shame - would have the final word.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, who breathes life into the Church,
empowers us to serve and comforts us in our weakness,
forming us into a people of hope, courage, and understanding.**

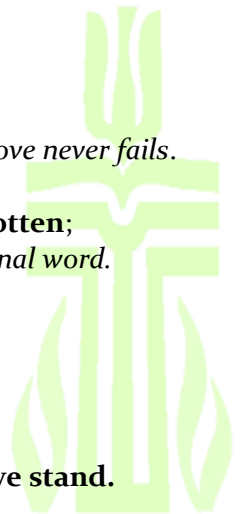
This is the faith we hold, the story we trust, and the grace in which we stand.

***HYMN 450 "BE THOU MY VISION"** *(stand in body or spirit)*

***THE BENEDICTION**



*Join us in 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 Cindy and Michael Sweezy in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary!!



Wycliffe Quick Calendar

August 16: (4pm) Symphonycity Concert (*Sanctuary*) FREE!

August 16: (12:30pm) Youth Beach Day! (*meet at First Presbyterian— 36th St*)

August 20: (3:30pm) Grief Support (*Room 207*)

August 23: (11am) Salad Bar Luncheon (*Fellowship Hall*)

August 23: Blessing of the Backpacks

September 12: (7:30am) Men's Breakfast + Bible Study (*Sunrise Cafe*)

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*)

September 25: (5:30-7:30pm) Kids Club! (*PreK4s — 5th grade*)

September 25: (5:30-7:30pm) "The Middle" (*during Kids Club, 6th-8th graders*)



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