BUCKINGHAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH August 18, 2024 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.

* Congregation please stand as you feel comfortable

PRELUDE: Grieg Lyric Piece: Grandmother's Minuet

WELCOME

INTROIT: Jesus, All for Jesus SHEEP PEN: Wise Imitations *CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 28)

ONE: To you, Lord, I call; you are my Rock,

do not turn a deaf ear to me.

ALL: Hear my cry for mercy as I call to you for help, as I lift up my hands toward your Most Holy Place.

ONE: To you, Lord, I call; you are my Rock,
ALL: Do not drag me away with the wicked,
with those who do evil.

who speak cordially with their neighbors

but harbor malice in their hearts.

ONE: To you, Lord, I call; you are my Rock,

ALL: Repay them for their deeds

and for their evil work;

repay them for what their hands have done and bring back on them what they deserve.

ONE: To you, Lord, I call; you are my Rock.

ALL: Praise be to the Lord, for he has heard my cry for mercy.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me.

My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him.

OPENING PRAYER:

ONE: Let us pray:

ALL: God, you are our rock and we give you thanks! Fill us now with your Spirit so we may know your will and express your wisdom through the proclamation of the Gospel for the good of world. Amen.

OPENING HYMN: All Creatures of Our God and King (GTG #15)

CALL TO CONFESSION:

ONE: With humble hearts, trusting in grace, let us confess our sins before God and one another, first in prayer together and then in silent confession. Let us pray:

ALL: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Sisters and brothers, Christ's promise is true: you are forgiven.

Today, may we again be blessed, refreshed and renewed by this good news!

ALL: Thank you God! Amen.

*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI *PASSING OF THE PEACE:

ONE: May the Peace of Christ be with all of you.

ALL: And also with you.

SONG OF PRAISE: Jesus Loves Me (GTG #188)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

ONE: Let us pray:

All: Almighty God, through the reading of holy Scripture, feed us with your living Word and reveal to us the way of everlasting life. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING:

Ephesians 5: 1-2; 15-20

RESPONSE TO THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

ONE: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON: Perfect Practice

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

HYMN: Take My Life and Let it Be (GTG #697) AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS/PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY/DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN: Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart (GTG #804)

*BENEDICTION: Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace...never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

POSTLUDE: Schubert Impromptu Bb