

BUCKINGHAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
July 14, 2024 - Welcome Rev. Kerry Shull
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.
** Congregation please stand as you feel comfortable*

PRELUDE:

WELCOME

INTROIT: He Is Exalted

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The earth is the LORD'S and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it; for he has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.

All: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

Leader: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully. They will receive blessing from the LORD, and vindication from the God of their salvation. Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

All: Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors that the King of glory may come in.

Leader: Who is the King of glory?

All: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Leader: Who is this King of glory?

All: The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Leader: In Christ let us ascend to worship God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

OPENING PRAYER:

Leader: Let us pray:

All: God of light and truth, you are beyond our grasp or conceiving. Before the brightness of your presence the angels veil their faces. With lowly reverence and adoring love we acclaim your glory and sing your praise, for you have shown us your truth and love in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

OPENING HYMN: Be Thou My Vision (GTG #450)

CALL TO CONFESSION:

Leader: Trusting in God's goodness to us, let us confess our sin before God and one another – first in prayer together and then in quiet, heart to heart prayer with God. Let's pray:

All: Lord God, we confess that the thought of ascending that we may see you, that we may dwell in your presence, is hardly something for which we seek. While some vague sense of "heaven" may be our expectation in death, to be in deepest communion with you is not a present yearning. We are attached to this world. Our commitment is to make this a better place. We distract ourselves from seeing the emptiness within us, the sense that what the world provides will not fulfill us. We ignore the longing in us for that which transcends us, the longing for you. Consequently, we make excuses when we find our hands not clean and our hearts impure; we attend to what is useless and our speech is deceitful; all of this is just the way of the world. Forgive us, Lord. Make us attentive to the deepest desire of our souls, which is to be in Christ that we may ascend with him into your presence. To that end, cleans us and prepare us to make that journey upward.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sisters and brothers, God offers forgiveness of our sins and the grace of repentance.

Accept God's grace, repent of your sin, and be restored to abundant life.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with us all.

All: And with your spirit.

Leader: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace in whatever way we feel most comfortable.

SONG OF PRAISE: Lord I Lift Your Name On High (insert)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Leader: Let us pray: **All: O God, by your Holy Spirit tell us what we need to hear and show us what we ought to do to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalms 24 Matthew 14:22-33

RESPONSE TO THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

ONE: This is the Word of the Lord! **ALL: Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE: Invitation to Ascend

Rev. Kerry Shull

HYMN: I Want To Walk as A Child of Light (GTG 377)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY/DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (GTG 611)

*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:

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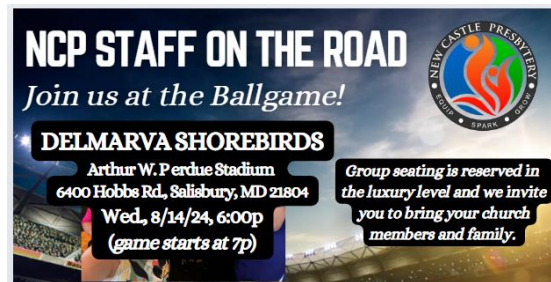
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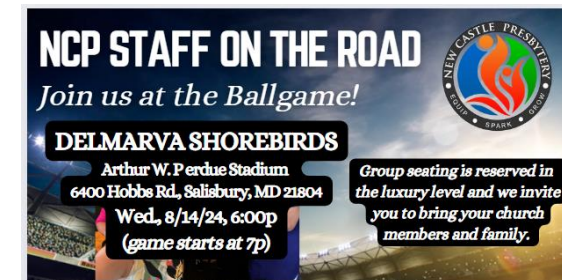
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