First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 28, 2013 10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45) Concerns of the Church Prelude

Lighting of the Sabbatical Candle

Call to Worship

from Psalm 89

I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David:

'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations.'"

* Hymn 281 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

- * Call to Confession
- * Prayer of Confession

God of grace,

in Jesus Christ you have broken down our divisions, accomplished our unity, and given us in love to one another. In humility, we confess our reluctance to welcome your gifts, to let go of our differences and accept each other. In every way, we are creatures of earth, fearful of change, even as we yearn for the new things you are doing among us. Forgive us, Gracious God, and free us to embrace each other in your love. Amen.

- * Silent Confession
- * Assurance of Pardon
- * Passing of the Peace
- * Gloria Patri (PH 579)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Epistle Lesson: Colossians 2:6-10 (NT, p. 200)

A Time with Children

Special Music "Look at the World" John Rutter

Gospel Lesson: Luke 11:1-13 (NT, p. 72)

Sermon: "Ask, Search, Knock, Find" Rev. Griffith

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

- * Hymn 403 (PH) "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
- * Affirmation of Faith: Nicene Creed (Traditional) (PH, p. 15)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

- * Doxology (PH 592)
- * Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn 379 (PH) "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" (vs. 1, 4)
- * Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Tarantella" William Squier

* All who are able shall stand.

PH Presbyterian Hymnal

Sing Sing! A New Creation (green songbook)

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God

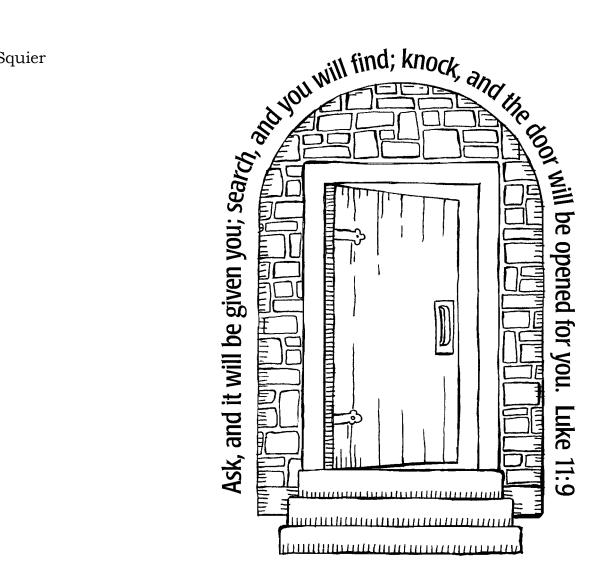
- by Meg Hatch in loving memory of her mother, Sue Hatch, and
- in loving memory of Paul R. Dobson from Paul, Mariluz and his grandchildren: Mark, Matt, Paul, Madison, Makayla and Parker.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor Rev. Roger Griffith
Director of Educational Ministries Tina Ide
Organist Kay Ten Eyck
Musicians Connie and John Weiss
Susan Kelly and Alan Baker
Liturgist Charlotte Spory
Ushers Deb Traettino, Brian Schillinger
Welcomer Bill Keen



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Colossians 2:6-10

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

Luke 11:1-13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"