



The Fruit of the Spirit – Ivan Guaderrama

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Service for the Lord's Day
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2023

10:00 a.m.

In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45 a.m.) Hymns of Pilgrimage: 727, 738, 726

Words of Welcome

Prelude "Trio Sonata in C Major - Larghetto" J. Quantz

Call to Worship Psalm 138:7-8

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.
The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.

* Hymn 31 "Let Us with a Gladsome Mind"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession on Galatians 5:13-20

***Lord, you have called us into the freedom of your grace.
We confess we have twisted that freedom into self-indulgence.
We follow our natural inclinations and show little restraint.
Rather than live in peace, we bite and devour one another.
We create division and animosity, and shrug off peace.
We demand love rather than offer love.
Even when you offer the guidance of your Spirit,
our souls are consumed by a hunger for consumption.
Set us free from ourselves and our appetites, and
fill us with enough faith that we may be reckoned as righteous;
We ask this through Jesus Christ, who gave his life to set us free.***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Response: "The Fruit of the Spirit" Brian C. Casebow

***For the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
gentleness, self-control; for such there is no law.***

Reception of new member

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Galatians 5:16-26 (NT, p. 190)

Psalter: Psalm 138 (Hymnal 334)

A Time with Children

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 (NT, p. 172)

Sermon: "Living in the Spirit with Self Control"

Rev. Carter

Sermon Series: Cultivating the Fruit of the Spirit

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 741 "Guide My Feet"

* 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 of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Offering

Offertory

"Sicilienne"

Maria Thersia von Paridis

* Doxology 606

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 313 "Lord, Make Us More Holy"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Trio No. 1 - Finale"

J. Haydn

If you are leaving before the postlude is finished, please do so quietly.

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers have been given to the Glory of God by Bonnie Plantholt in loving memory of her parents, Irwin and Dorothy Eckstein.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist/Pianist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	John Weiss
Flute	Catherine Huhn
Oboe	Connie Weiss
Cello	John Weiss
Ushers	Judy Cutler, Debbie Miller

Church Family Announcements

Our congregation worships God, equips God's people for ministry in the world, and serves God in ways that are faithful to the Gospel.

Thank you for joining us for Worship. We worship in two ways!

- **Join us in person at 10:00 a.m.**
- **Tune in online** for our service, which is broadcast live on [our video page on YouTube](#) and archived for later viewing on the same site.

Large-print bulletins can be found at the rear of the sanctuary.

The red attendance pads have returned to the pews! Please sign your name and pass it to the next person across the pew. We are trying to do a better job keeping track of those who come to worship.

The Nursery is open Sunday mornings from 9:40-11:10 a.m. for children ages 3 and younger in room 208. The nursery is staffed by Heather Lyons.

Tell us your prayer concerns. Prayer Request Cards are in the pew racks. Pass them to the center aisle to be collected during the first hymn.

Please pray for: Hall, Kate, Leonard, Chuck, Jane, Rachel, Wayne, Alice, Cheryl, Kathy, Otto, Dawn, Colleen, Anne, Aria, Morse, Christian, Margaret, Bob, Bonnie, Leslie, Sara, Susan, Marta, Flo, Gretchen, Jim, Lisa, Karis, Janet, Patty, Dean, Sharon, Naylor family, Sonny, Ralph.

Would you (and some friends) like to host refreshments on either August 20 or 27? A sign-up sheet has been placed in Fellowship Hall. Call Karen White, 570-575-7005, with any questions.



Join Connie and John Weiss in singing for worship on Sunday August 27th. Prior choral experience is not required. We will rehearse on Thursday August 24 at 7pm in the sanctuary. Questions? Call 570-466-4520.

We will be looking for a sexton to begin work this fall. A job description is posted on the church bulletin board. A letter of application and resume can be sent to the church office.

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 13

- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online

Monday, August 14

Tuesday, August 15

- **10 a.m.**, MBK Quilters, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 16

- **10:30**, Prayer and Share, room 209

Thursday, August 17

- **8:30**, Men's Breakfast, room 206
- **2 p.m.**, Senior Game Group, Fellowship Hall
- **5:30**, Worship, Music and Arts, room 206

Sunday, August 20

- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online

We are grateful for the many ways that people support our church's ministry to the community and world. If you wish to contribute by cell phone, scan here.



Coming this fall:

Sunday, September 3

Our annual **Jazz Communion** will swing the fall into gear at 10:00 a.m. This year, we welcome the Presbybop Blue Note Sextet as they feature the music of trumpeter Lee Morgan.



Sunday, September 10 - Join us for **Rally Day** as we celebrate a baptism and join together for a church-wide **pancake breakfast** after morning worship.

Tuesday, September 19 - The Presbyterian Women begin their **monthly Bible study** with Rev. Bill at 10 a.m. This year's topic: "Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts."
All women are welcome!

Wednesday, September 20 - Adult Education begins on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Dr. Charlie Pinches will offer the first series, titled, "The Apostle Paul and the Called Life."

September 30 - October 1 - Worship Through Service weekend, with hands-on service projects around the community.

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