

Mount Olive Presbyterian Church

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Welcome to Worship on the Lord's Day
7th Sunday after Pentecost
July 16, 2023

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BRINGING GOD'S LIGHT INTO THE CHURCH

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

D. J. Jarman

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRELUDE

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

D. Fishel

Lynn Williams, Soloist

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name!

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen.
3. We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever.
4. Come, let us praise the living God. Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: "I was glad when they said unto me,

People: Let us go into the house of the Lord.

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Let us worship God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us, together, confess our sins before God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (unison)

Receive the gift of mercy, love more wondrous than any treasure. By God's great compassion, our sins are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

The Gloria Patri

#579 (Blue)

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SHARING FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN

Pastor Bob Bardin

PRAISE

If I Were a Butterfly

1. If I were a butterfly, I'd thank you, Lord, for giving me wings. If I were a robin in a tree, I'd thank you, Lord, that I could sing.
If I were a fish in the sea, I'd wiggle my tail and I'd giggle with glee, but I just thank you, Father, for making me — Me.

CHORUS

For you gave me a heart and you gave me a smile, you gave me Jesus and you made me your child,
And I just thank you, Father, for making me — Me!

2. If I were an elephant, I'd thank you, Lord, by raising my trunk. If I were a kangaroo, you know I'd hop right up to you.
If I were an octopus, I'd thank you, Lord, for my fine looks, but I just thank you, Father, for making me — me.
Repeat CHORUS
3. If I were a wiggly worm, I'd thank you, Lord, that I could squirm. If I were a crocodile, I'd thank you, Lord, for my great smile.
If I were a fuzzywuzzy bear, I'd thank you, Lord, for my fuzzywuzzy hair, but I just thank you Father, for making me — me.
Repeat CHORUS

ANTHEM	Jesus Loves Me Deep and Wide	W. Bradbury S. Cox Anna Kornegay and Deborah Kornegay, duet
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WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING	Acts 6:8 - 8:1	(pew Bible p. 775, 776)
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SERMON	“Angel Face.....Demon Face”	Pastor Bob Bardin
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*HYMN	When We Are Living	#400 (Blue)
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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

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “The Heidelberg Catechism,” Book of Confessions, PCUSA

Q 16. Why must the mediator be a true and righteous human?

**A. God's justice demands
that human nature, which has sinned
must pay for sin
but a sinful human could never pay for others.**

Q 17. Why must the mediator also be true God?

**A. So that the mediator,
by the power of his divinity,
might bear the weight of God's wrath in his humanity
and earn for us
and restore to us
righteousness and life.**

Q 18. Then who is this mediator—
true God, and at the same time
a true and righteous human?

**A. Our Lord Jesus Christ,
who was given to us
to completely deliver us
and make us right with God.**

Q 19. How do you come to know this?

**A. The holy gospel tells me.
God began to reveal the gospel already in Paradise,
Later, God proclaimed it
by the holy patriarchs and prophets
and foreshadowed it
by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law,
and finally God fulfilled it
through his own beloved Son.**

SENT TO SERVE AS GOD'S PEOPLE

***BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL RESPONSE
Go now in peace.**

Go Now in Peace

D. Besig & N. Price

Never be afraid
 God will go with you each hour of ev'ry 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. Amen

*POSTLUDE

(*Please stand as you are able.)



This Week's Activities

Today	10:00 am	Worship
Tuesday	10:00 am	Bible Study
	11:00 am	<i>Disciplines for the Inner Life</i>
Wednesday	6:45 am	Men's Group
	5:30 pm	<i>Disciplines for the Inner Life</i>
Thursday	3:45 pm	Chair Yoga
Saturday	8:00 am	Community Farmers Market
Sunday	10:00 am	Worship

Special music time - we would like to thank Lynn Williams, Anna Kornegay and Deborah Kornegay for sharing their talents with us today.

Upcoming July Music Specials

July 23- Katherine Wolfe, Solo

July 30 - Grace Webster, Dance

Hymn Sing

We would also like to thank:

- Wendy Ford for her beautiful art work in posters for If I Were A Butterfly!
- Lynn Williams and Mary Ann Wright for helping to lead singing in If I Were A Butterfly!
- Pastor Bob for being a human easel in If I Were A Butterfly!
- The congregation for singing with spirit and gusto in If I Were A Butterfly!

A **Red Cross Blood Drive** in memory of Clark Dail will be held at the Town Depot, 110 West Main St., Mount Olive on Tuesday, July 25th from 1 pm to 6:30 pm. Chase Teal, Clark's granddaughter, is spearheading this drive for her senior thesis at the University of South Carolina.

Summer Vespers 2023 at the Creek Join Lisa Dismore and friends at Sleepy Creek on Thursday evenings at 6 pm this summer at the Chapel beginning June 22. We will experience contemplative prayer practices (from over the centuries). These simple practices are intended to help strengthen your relationship with God and one another. If you haven't experienced contemplative prayer, then come join in and try something new.

The Pentecost Offering was \$136.48. Thank you for your generosity. This money goes to Lula Newkirk's Helping Hands Ministry.

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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Recent Surgeries or Illnesses

(names listed for 2 weeks)

- Joe Giddings, (Barry Giddings' brother, heart and other issues)
- Tracy Draughon, (Dr. Scott Draughon's wife, lung cancer)
- Susie Cox, (Lynda Roten's sister in law, hip replacement surgery)
- Joyce Coates, (Doug Coates' mother, lung cancer surgery)
- Everett Coates, (Doug Coates' father, kidney dialysis)
- Eddie Best, (Brenda Schroeder's brother, aneurysm)

Ongoing Concerns

(names listed for 2 months)

- Lorraine Kornegay, cancer
- Virginia Matthews, (Megan Kornegay's mom, hip replacement complications)
- Peggy Barwick, blood pressure issues
- Lynda Roten, tibial plateau fracture
- Wesley Parker, cancer treatments

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the families of:

(names listed for 2 months)

Homebound/Nursing Facilities

- Bobbie Coley
- Vennie Jordan
- Barry Giddings
- Robbie McSwain
- Rudy Hooks

Please call or email the church office with your prayer concern. Church members and their family will be included in the worship bulletin and e-newsletter for the durations listed above. Please let us know as prayers are answered, so we can celebrate with you; or as needs change, so we know how best to pray with and for you. If you have a confidential concern, please contact Pastor Bob.