August 2, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Hartwood Presbyterian Church

Our mission is to develop disciples by providing worship, fellowship and service through Jesus Christ.

Pastor: Reverend Doctor Scott Fouts

Music Director: Lara Brittain

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The People Gather

Call to Worship (responsive) Psalm 37: 34, 39-40

Pastor: Hope in the LORD and keep His way.
People: **The salvation of the righteous comes from the LORD.**
Pastor: He is their stronghold in time of trouble.
People: **The LORD helps them and delivers them; He delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in Him.**

Prayer of Adoration (unison) ***St. Augustine***

Pastor: O Loving God, full of compassion, I commit and commend myself to You, in whom I am, and live, and know. Be the goal of my pilgrimage, and my rest by the way. Let my soul take refuge from the crowding turmoil of worldly thought beneath the shadow of Your wings. Let my heart, this sea of restless ways find peace in You, O God. Amen.
People: **Lord, we adore You.**

Opening Hymn #61 "Lavish Love, Abundant Beauty" *(see insert)*

We Humble Ourselves in Confession

A Call to Confession 1 John 2: 1,2

If you do sin, Jesus Christ always does the right thing, and He will speak to the Father for us. Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and the sins of all the world's people.

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

Pastor: Searching God, we are so attached to our possessions, we have trouble sharing them. We are so stuck on ourselves, we cannot sense our souls slipping away into the shadows. Most merciful God: loosen us from the grip of the world, so we may feel Your healing touch. Sever us from our sin, so Your Spirit might bind us to You. Reshape us, redeem us, so we may take up our crosses and follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

The Assurance of Pardon Titus 3: 5-7

He saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit. He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior. Because of His grace, He made us right in His sight and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life.

*If you are able, please stand. / **Bold = people participate**

Hymn #65 "The Wonder of It All" *(see insert)*

We Listen for God's Word

A Moment with the Children and Youth

A Prayer for Illumination

The Presentation of the Word

The Reading of the New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 4: 9-12

About brotherly love: You don't need me to write you because you yourselves are taught by God to love one another. In fact, you are doing this toward all the brothers and sisters in the entire region of Macedonia. But we encourage you, brothers and sisters, to do this even more, to seek to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you, so that you may behave properly in the presence of outsiders and not be dependent on anyone.

Sermon Title: "A Loving Life"
Live a loving life.

The People Respond

Hymn #363 "More Love to Thee" *(see insert)*

***Affirmation of Faith (responsive)** (*see insert)*
People: Lord, we affirm our faith.

The Sharing of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
The Invitation to the Table
The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them unto the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
The Pastoral Prayer
Our Silent and Personal Prayers
The Lord's Prayer (unison)
The Breaking of the Bread
The Sharing of the Loaf and Cup

The Prayer Upon Leaving the Table (unison)
Loving God, You have given us a share in the one bread and one cup, and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring Your salvation and joy to the world. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"The Session would like to remind you that despite the Corona Virus crisis shut downs the church still has financial obligations. You may continue to give by mailing contributions to the Church Office; giving electronically through Realm; or making bulk donations from investments."

***Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

Pastor: We bring offerings of love, O God, with the prayer that through these gifts Your will might be done. We are ever conscious that our gifts must be accompanied by our desire to serve Your holy will. Bless us in all that we would do and all that we are. Amen.

People: Lord, we dedicate our gifts to Your Kingdom.

Closing Hymn #362 "I Love Thee" *(see insert)*

***The Charge and Benediction**

The Postlude

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