

November 15, 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

November 15, 2020 / 10:00 AM

The People Gather

Call to Worship (responsive)

Psalm 47: 8-9

Pastor: God reigns over the nations;

People: God is seated on His holy throne.

Pastor: The nobles of the peoples have assembled with the people of the God of Abraham.

People: For the leaders of the earth belong to God; He is greatly exalted.

Prayer of Adoration (responsive)

Clement of Rome

O God Almighty, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, grant us, we pray to be grounded and settled in Your truth by the coming down of the Holy Spirit into our hearts. That which we know not, reveal; that which is wanting in us, fill up; that which we know, confirm; and keep us blameless in Your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Opening Hymn #572 “America, the Beautiful” (*red hymnal / see insert*)

We Humble Ourselves in Confession

A Call to Confession

Hebrews 4: 14-16

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect He was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

God of glory, You sent Jesus among us as the Light of the world, to reveal Your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of Your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In Your mercy, cleanse us from our sin, and baptize us once again with Your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth Your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 3: 12-14; John 13:34

As God’s own people, be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind. Be always ready to forgive as freely as God has forgiven you. And, above everything else, be loving, and never forget to be thankful for what Christ has done for You. Hear the teaching of Christ: “A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another as I have loved you.”

Hymn #201 “Grace Greater Than Our Sin” vs. 1 and 4 (*red hymnal / see insert*)

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

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:

2 Thessalonians 3: 13-18

But as for you, brothers and sisters, do not grow weary in doing good. If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take note of that person; don't associate with him, so that he may be ashamed. Yet don't consider him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother. May the Lord of peace himself give you peace always in every way. The Lord be with all of you. I, Paul, am writing this greeting with my own hand, which is an authenticating mark in every letter; this is how I write. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Sermon Title: "Peace and Grace"

We have God's peace and grace with us always and in every way.

The People Respond

Hymn #500 "Wonderful Peace" v. 1, 2 and 5 (*red hymnal / see insert*)

A Season of Prayer

The Pastoral Prayer

Our Silent and Personal Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

***Affirmation of Faith (responsive)** (*see insert*)

"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**

With grateful hearts, O Lord, we come to You, bearing our gifts as pledges of our service to Your Holy Kingdom. Let the offering we make be also an offering of ourselves to Your Holy Will. Amen.

Closing Hymn #498 "Peace Like a River" (*red hymnal / see insert*)

***The Charge and Benediction**

The Postlude

Please use this week's bulletin in your personal worship time.

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