

Mar 1, 2014

Presbytery Of Susquehanna Valley

10:00 a.m.

Prayer of Preparation

Silent Meditation

Your Word, by M. S. Lowndes

*Your Word, O Lord is wisdom and truth, and we need to know this when in our youth
To have it embedded deep in our hearts, to never give it up and never let it part
We need to know the truth therein, that will lead us to life and free us from sin
Your Word, O Lord is faithful and just, and in your Word we must put our trust*

Gathering

PRELUDE *Rustic Pictures* (Op. 190, mo. 1-5) Cornelius Gurlitt

INTROIT "Processional"

CALL TO WORSHIP (GEN. 1:27-31) Judi Gage

SPEAKER: So God created humankind in his image

PEOPLE: In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them

SPEAKER: God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

PEOPLE: God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life. I have given green plant for food." And it was so.

ALL: Good saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (UNISON)

Sarah Hooker

O God, we confess that, in our day to day busy lives, we often forget that from the very beginning of creation, you have provided everything we, and all of your creation, need to live life abundantly. We forget to be thankful, and we spend wasted time worrying about so many other things. We lose sight of who we are supposed to be, and what we are supposed to do. In your mercy, remind us of all that you have done, all you are doing, and all you will continue to do in each of our lives. Remove the veil which has clouded or vision, so we may joyfully live in faith, without fear, renewed by your spirit. Make our lives bear good fruit and be a testament of your glory.

We ask this, with thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Rock and Redeemer. Amen!

SILENT REFLECTION

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (unison) Sarah Hooker**

When I need forgiveness Lord, When my heart is cold
When I'm feeling overwhelmed, but no one seems to know
You are my Shining light, my calm in every storm
You hold my shaking hand, then I understand
That in You, I am more than I was before
(by Kelly S. Moor)

OLD TESTAMENT READING: EXODUS 16: 1-12; EXODUS 16:33 Elder, Laurens

HYMN "The Greatest Peace I Know"

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 6:24-34 Susie Little

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-9 Jo Ann Aymar

SERMON Jo Ann Aymar

OFFERING to Mosaic of Peace / One Great Hour of Sharing

Offertory *Rustic Pictures* (Op. 190, mo. 7-8) Cornelius Gurlitt

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Fred Onasch

NECROLOGY: Teaching and Ruling Elders Who Have Received Their Crowns James Martin

**ANTHEM "Lord I Want To Be A Christian" A Pealing Sound
arr. Tammy Waldrop Handbell Choir**

COMMUNION Jared Stephens

Invitation

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Remembrance, and Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

Receiving the Elements

"All Things Bright and Beautiful" John Rutter

Blessing

HYMN #15 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

UNISON PRAYER: Spending time with you, we are refreshed and are re-created into who we are called to be. May we go out into the world, standing up for justice, care for all of your creation, find ways to promote peace and be a healing balm to those who need our love and understanding. As we are blessed in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, let us be a blessing. Amen.