

The Presbyterian Church of Okemos
July 18, 2021
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



If you are attending the service in-person,

- Please seat yourself in every other row social distancing from your fellow parishioners.
- Children under 12 must remain with parents or guardians with masks on.
- If you are using the hearing loop system, please alert staff at the audio/visual table in the back of the sanctuary if levels need adjusting.

Preparation “Only imaginative justice, that is, love that begins by espousing the rights of the other rather than self, can achieve a modicum of fairness”. Reinhold Niebuhr

Prelude *Adagio from Organ Sonata No. 2* Mendelssohn
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist

Greetings and Announcements of the Church Rev. Peggy Huston

Call to Worship Steve Mayhew, Liturgist

One: Take off your shoes!

All: We are standing on holy ground.

One: Shake off the dust!

All: We are ready to start afresh.

One: Let us worship God and receive Christ’s teachings,
that we may be renewed and strengthened
to share God’s love with the world.

Litany (Based on The 23 Psalm) Steve Mayhew, Liturgist

One: A litany is a form of supplication or a series of petitions. Today please join me in our responsive litany of prayer.

One: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;

**All: We believe in the goodness of God.
We believe God hears and responds to our needs.
We believe God responds to all children everywhere.**

One: God makes me lie down in green pastures,
and leads me beside still waters,
God restores my soul.

**All: We are grateful that we've been blessed with enough water.
But we know that many do not have enough.
Not enough water, not enough food, not enough peace.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen
The Apostle's Creed

Minute for Mission Edgewood Village Tom Schaberg

Special Music *O Rest in the Lord* from "Elijah" Mendelssohn
Colleen Chester, vocalist
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist

Offering Rev. Peggy Huston

Prayers of the People Rev. Peggy Huston

Refrain: One: Lord, in your mercy. . .

All: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer "...forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors..."

Hymn #182 *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*, vs. 1 - 3
[Kingsfold]
Colleen Chester, vocalist
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist

Benediction Rev. Peggy Huston

Postlude *Allegro Maestoso from Organ Sonata No. 2* Mendelssohn
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist

Ushers: *Ron and Barbara Dorr*

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