

**The Presbyterian Church of Okemos**  
**July 10, 2022**  
**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**



**COVID-19 Safety Recommendations**

- *Wear a mask while singing in the sanctuary, and when interacting with young children.*
- *Remember that young children are not vaccinated.*

**Preparation:** “We are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Seems a rather expansive mission, doesn’t it? Why couldn’t it be: you are the salt of your congregation. You are the light of your community. That’s still a tall order, but perhaps doable. Given the scope of tastelessness and the depth of darkness that pervade the globe at the moment, I think Jesus was rather ambitious in his expectation of fishermen, tax collectors and various other stragglers and sinners.” Rev. Jill Duffield, former editor of *The Presbyterian Outlook*

**Prelude**

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*  
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist

Michael Burkhardt  
Based on *HOUSTON*  
by Kathleen Thomerson

**Invitation to our Shared Ministry**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Call to Worship**

Christine Beamer, Liturgist

One: We light a light in the name of the Maker;

**All: who lit the world and breathed the breath of life for us.**

One: We light a light in the name of the Son;

**All: who saved the world and stretched out his hand to me.**

One: We light a light in the name of the Spirit;

**All: who encompasses the world and blesses my soul with yearning.**

One: We light three lights for the Trinity of love:

**All: God above us, God beside us, God beneath us.**

\* **Hymn #459**

*O Word of God Incarnate*, vs. 1-3  
[Munich]

**Prayer of Confession**

Christine Beamer, Liturgist

One: We are a people born of water and the Spirit. We have made promises to be Christ’s faithful disciples, and to show his love to our life’s end. Although we fail to fulfill those baptismal vows, God’s faithful love endures forever. Confident of God’s grace, let us confess our sin and the sin of this world.

**All: Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. Too often we have lived for ourselves, and apart from**

**you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness. May we choose your will and obey your commandments, through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

**Promise of the Gospel**

Christine Beamer, Liturgist

**One:** Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All:** **Let us live as people sure of this grace. Let us live as people restored to abundant life. Amen.**

**\* Act of Praise #581**

*Gloria Patri*

**Children's Sermon**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Special Music**

*Sarabande*  
Sarah Mayhew, bassoon  
Andrew Mayhew, euphonium

Anonymous (Old English)

**Prayer of Illumination**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

God our light, make us attentive to your Word, as to a lamp shining in a dark place, that seeing your truth we may live faithful lives serving you with all our hearts and our minds. Amen.

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 5:13-16

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Sermon**

*The Sacred in the Ordinary: Salt and Light*  
Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Anthem**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*  
Handbell Quintet  
Dave & Kathi Cook,  
Linda & Lou Cravotta, Sarah Mayhew

arr. Jason W. Krug

**Offering**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Invitation**

**Offertory**

*Fantasie in D Minor*

Johann Krieger

**\*Doxology #606**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Prayers of the People**

Christine Beamer, Liturgist

One: Lord in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayer.**

\* **Hymn #749**

*Come! Live in the Light!*, vs. 1-3

[We Are Called]

**Sending (Benediction)**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

One: From where we are to where you need us,

**All: Jesus, now lead on.**

One: From the security of what we know to the adventure of what you will reveal,

**All: Jesus, now lead on.**

One: To refashion the fabric of this world until it resembles your kingdom,

**All: Jesus, now lead on.**

**Benediction Response:**

*We Are Marching in the Light of God*

**Hymn #853**

[Siyahamba]

**Postlude**

*Go, My Children, With My Blessing*

arr. Sandra Eithun

Handbell Quintet

\* *Please rise in body or spirit*

**Acolytes:** Will, Maddie and Matt Pearson

**Flowers:** The flowers adorning the sanctuary today are given by Diane Galbraith and Clive Gemmill to commemorate the birthday of Millie Galbraith, Diane's mother.

**Ushers:** Gary and Trudy Sturk, Jeff and Michele Arbour

**Adult Ed:** The Adult Education Committee invites you to an open discussion in Fellowship Hall this morning. Topics to include Sunday morning Adult Ed classes; the potential for new small groups, as well as possible activities outside the church building. All are welcome!

**Next Week's Scripture:** Luke 12:22-31

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