

The Presbyterian Church of Okemos
July 31, 2022
Eighth 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.*

Prelude

Eyeglasses

Ludwig Van Beethoven

[Duo for Viola and Cello in E Flat Major]

Dr. Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, cello

Christine Beamer, viola

Invitation to our Shared Ministry

Steve Mayhew, Liturgist

Call to Worship

Steve Mayhew, Liturgist

One: Praise the Lord, O servants of the Lord!

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore.

One: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised.

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore!

* Hymn #711

Lord of All Good, vs. 1-3

[Toulon]

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Ben Rumbaugh

One: Even though we continually turn away from God, the Lord is eager to forgive. Trusting in the promise of grace, let us confess our sin.

All: O God, we confess that we want to have our cake and eat it, too. We want to be faithful to you and faithful to the trappings of this world. Jesus taught us that “no one can have two masters” and yet, we serve many masters: work, wealth, control, and addiction. Forgive us. Help us to get our priorities straight, God of The Way. Help us to faithfully serve you, and to be friends with those who are most vulnerable. Help us to be faithfully in this world, but not of it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Promise of the Gospel

Rev. Ben Rumbaugh

* Act of Praise #581

Gloria Patri

Prayer of Illumination

Rev. Ben Rumbaugh

Scripture Reading

Luke 16:1-13

Rev. Ben Rumbaugh

Sermon

Spiritual Ledger
Rev. Ben Rumbaugh

Special Music

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring from Cantata No. 147
Dr. Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, cello
Christine Beamer, viola

J.S. Bach

Offering

Steve Mayhew, Liturgist

Invitation

Offertory

Be Thou My Vision
Gail Lytle Lira, pianist

arr. L. Shackley

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

Steve Mayhew, Liturgist

One: Lord in your mercy,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

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

* Hymn #708

We Give Thee but Thine Own, vs. 1-4
[Schumann]

Benediction

Rev. Ben Rumbaugh

Postlude

Hornpipe from Water Music
Dr. Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, cello
Christine Beamer, viola

G.F. Handel

* *Please rise in body or spirit*

Adult Ed: *No Adult Ed scheduled this week. Enjoy a time of fellowship after the service.*

Next Week's Scripture: 1 John 4: 7-13

Please join us as we welcome Rebekah Anderson as our new Associate Pastor. Rebekah will be preaching. We will celebrate her arrival with a reception in Fellowship Hall following the service.

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