

COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1400 Highland Pike, Covington, Kentucky, 41011

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Sunday, October 30, 2016

Worship 11:00am

+ All who are able may stand

Regular type, one speaks; bold type, everyone speaks.

Preparing Ourselves

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

+Call to Worship Amy Loving, *The Worship Closet*

L: God is righteous and the source of true justice.

P: Filled with the Spirit, we will praise the Lord!

L: Even when we feel small, God's love makes us mighty.

P: We delight in God's Word, and we are made strong!

+Prayer of the Day and Lord's Prayer

Let us pray: **God of all being, we offer this worship to you today to show our love for you. Help us to feel your presence during this time and throughout our lives as we seek to live as your people in the world. We pray all things in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us also to pray, saying: *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.***

+Hymn of Praise *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* #457

Call to Reconciliation

With remorse and regret let us bring our confessions to God. Let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

God of grace and glory, you have told us how we are to live as your people: doing justice, loving others and showing them kindness, and putting ourselves in your hands. Yet we fall short of your desire and hope for our lives: we turn our backs on our fellow human beings when prejudice and inequality put them in danger. We are fearful of outsiders and aliens and turn away from them instead of following Your call to protect and love them. We turn away from You, trusting ourselves more than we trust you. Have mercy upon us, O God, and forgive us; help us to become the people you call us to be. (moment of silence)

Assurance of Forgiveness

As people of the Reformation, we believe that by the grace of God in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, cleansed and made new. Thanks be to God! Amen.
Please offer and receive the forgiveness of Christ with one another.

Response of Praise

Come and Fill Our Hearts

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Passing of the Peace

L: By offering the peace of Christ to one another, we recognize each other's place in the family of God. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you.

Please greet one another with a handshake and/ or the exchange of the peace.

Anthem

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Open our hearts and minds to the words of God, not only for knowledge but also to feel your loving presence in our lives. Amen.

First Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Hymn

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

#260

Second Reading

Luke 19:1-10

Sermon

Rev. Sharon Carter

Responding With Thanks and Praise

Reformation Dialogue from Rev. Thom Weitzel, *Liturgybytlw.com*

L: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

P: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

L: There is one Body and one Spirit;

P: There is one hope in God's call to us;

L: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

P: One God and Father of all.

L: Blessed be God who sustains and protects his Holy Church.

**P: And blessed be God who guides and confirms us in our Faith. Amen.
Alleluia!**

The Service of Giving

Prayer of Dedication

Musical Offering

+Response of Praise

Glory Be To the Father

#577

Joys and Concerns of the People of God

Prayers of the People

Going Forth to Love and Serve

+Sending Hymn

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

#218

+The Charge

+The Benediction

+ The Postlude