

IN OUR PRAYERS

Robbie McClure (Marie Dunnam's brother) Elizabeth Christensen (Kathy Skillen's niece), Arthur Skillen (Kathy Skillen's brother) Bob and Debbie Hartness (Rev. Audrey's parents), Clifton Mabry, Sam and Edna Dillard, Kathy Skillen, Al Belauskus, Sue Costa, (Paula Meades and Shari Waldo's friend), Arlene Touart (Sherry Moats' aunt), Ed Black (cousin of De French), George Harper (former pastor at WPC), Bentley Carver (son of a friend of James Lawson), Jack Harper (cousin of Nita McMillan), Sharen Gaff (De French's sister), Marie Dunnam.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

We will celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, again **next Sunday, July 28th** during worship. We will be using the ABC's of Christmas program and it is one you don't want to miss! After worship, we will meet in Gossett Hall with a Christmas lunch complete with turkey, dressing and all the wonderful Christmas goodies! We will also be sponsoring an Angel Tree this year that will highlight a wonderful, local mission project, "Sleep In Heavenly Peace".

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our next Men's Bible study will be August 4th, 10:00 am, in Gossett Hall. All men are invited and encouraged to attend.

PW CIRCLE

If you have not had a chance to preview our selection of Bible Study books for our upcoming Presbyterian Women year, please reach out to Nancy Johnston or Nita McMillan and we will make sure you get a copy to review. We will vote on the Bible study at our first organizational meeting on August 5th. Please save the date for this most important meeting! Hope to see you there!

SESSION

Clerk: Brad Stancil

Mission/Outreach: Nita McMillan

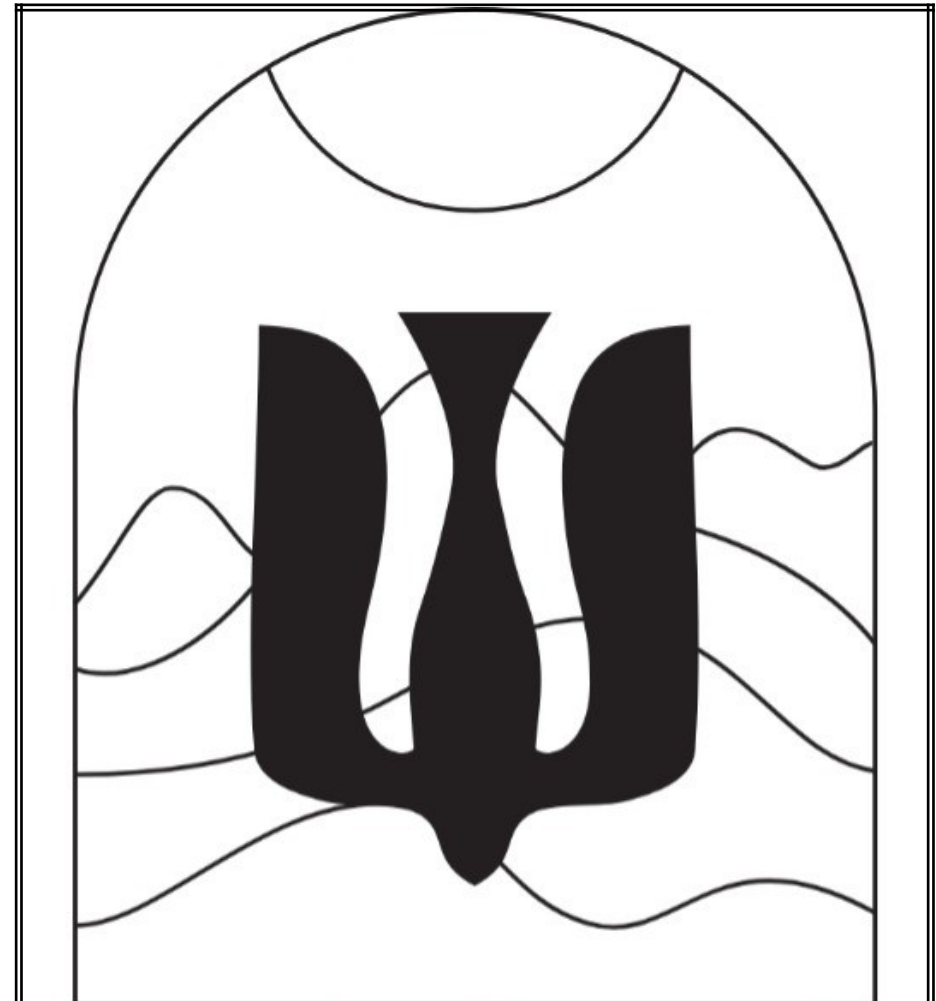
Christian Faith & Development: Debbie Therriault

Property: John Merritt

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July 21, 2024

11:00 A.M

GATHERING

Prelude: “A Mighty Fortress”.....Luther

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Call to Worship: *Come into God's presence singing Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Come into God's presence singing Jesus Is Lord, Jesus Is Lord, Jesus Is Lord!*

Prayer of Invocation

***Hymn 611:** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”.....Beethoven

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eternal Father, You are the one who leads us from darkness into light, from captivity into freedom, from anxiety into peace, from despair into joy. Yet we long to break free, choosing independence, convinced of our own wisdom, forgetting Your love and grace.

Forgive us, Lord, for all the many times we have failed You. Draw close to us, embrace us once again in Your loving arms, and enable us to follow You in worship and grateful service each day of our lives. We ask these things in the name of Your Son, Our Savior, Jesus Christ.

(a moment of silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

THE WORD

Anthem: “Were It Not For Grace”.....Harris

*Time measured out my days. Life carried me along. In my soul I yearned to follow God. But knew I'd never be so strong. I looked hard at this world to learn how heaven could be gained. Just to end where I began, Where human effort is all in vain. **Refrain:** Were it not for grace, I can tell you where I'd be. Wandering down some pointless road to nowhere, With my salvation up to me. I know how that would go, The battles I would face. Forever running but losing the race, Were it not for grace*
*So here is all my praise, Expressed with all my heart, Offered to the Friend who took my place and ran a course I could not start. And when He saw in full just how much His love would cost. He still went the final mile between me and heaven so I would not be lost. **Refrain***
Forever running but losing the race, Were It Not For GRACE.

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Scripture: Matthew 5:13-17, 43-48

Sermon: “Extended Love”.....Rev. Audrey Reese

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

***Apostles Creed** (*The Glory to God Hymnal p. 35*)

Gloria Patri (*The Glory to God Hymnal, p. 581*)

***Hymn 824:** “There Is a Place of Quiet Rest”.....McAfee

Musical Offertory: “Like a Shepherd Lead Us”.....Thrupp

(During the offertory, you are invited to take a moment of prayerful reflection. We appreciate your gifts to our ministry. Monetary gifts may be placed in the box in the back of the sanctuary, or in the offering plates at the front, as you leave today.)

***Doxology** (*The Glory to God Hymnal, No. 606*)

SENDING

***Hymn 542:** “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”.....Tomer

Benediction