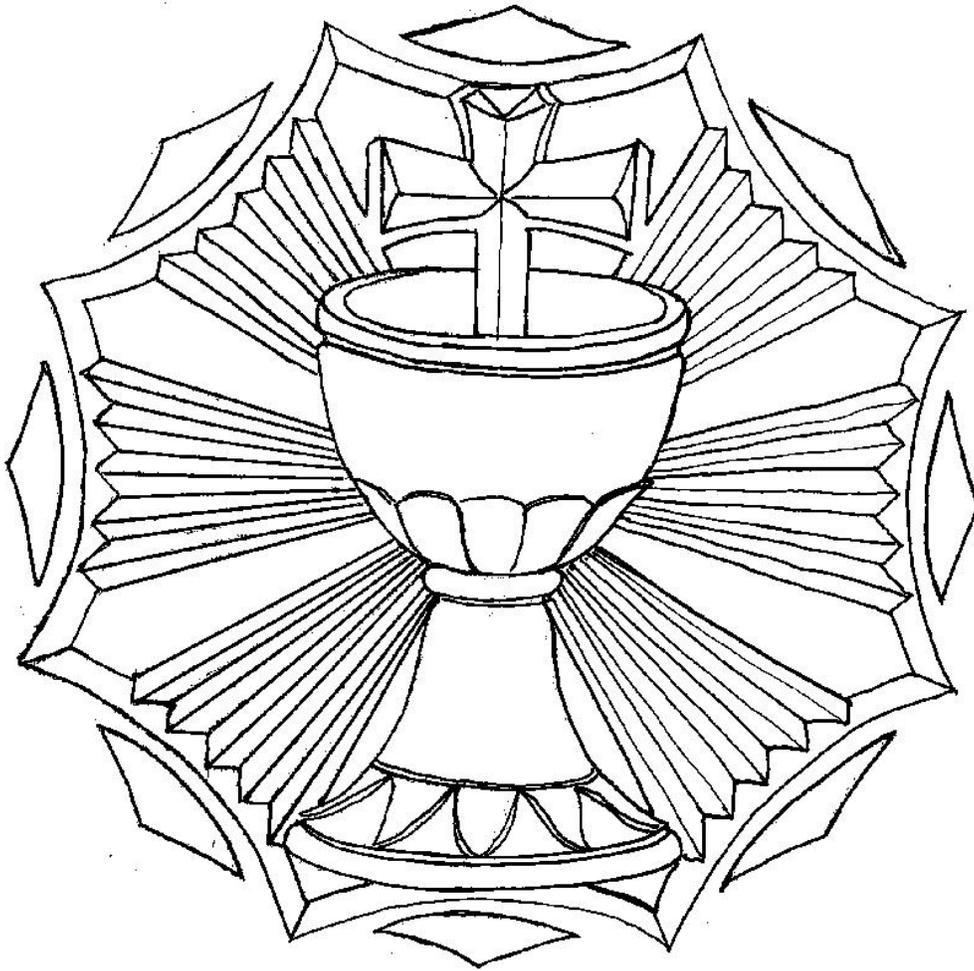


First Presbyterian Church

July 25, 2021

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH *of Raleigh*

*Serving Christ from the heart of the city to the ends
of the earth with love, faith and action.*

We Gather in God's Presence

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Andante con moto" from Sonata no. 5

Felix Mendelssohn

Call to Worship

O taste and see that the Lord is good! Happy are those who seek refuge in him!

Stand in awe before the Lord our God, for those who seek the Lord lack for nothing!

With gladness, let us come into the presence of our faithful God!

*Hymn

["Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"](#)

No. 395

Prayer of Confession

Laurie Taylor Weicher

We confess, O God, that we have sought our security apart from you, and have looked to other tables for our nourishment and strength. We have imagined ourselves to be self-sufficient, a delusion that has put us at risk. Bid us again to come to your table, where we will be met with your sustaining grace, in the presence of Jesus Christ, in whose name we gather and pray. And as we prepare to come to your table, hear our confessions, offered in silence...

Kyrie | Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Pardon

Friends in Christ, in response to this gift of God's grace, how then shall we live?

With gratitude, following after the Lord Jesus Christ, who calls us to love

God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.

This is the way of Jesus, in whom we find life!

*Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

We Celebrate our Life Together

Joys and Concerns and Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Congregational Response to Prayer

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.

We Listen to God's Word

A Moment for Children (11:00)

Children ages 4 - 5th grade can leave for a LEGO lesson for the remainder of the service.
Pick up in Memorial Hall.

Beth Thaxton
Susan Lutcavage

Scripture Readings

Exodus 16:1-4; John 6:1-14

Sermon

"Food Insecurity"

Ed McLeod

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

["All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"](#)

No. 509

An Invitation to Generosity | Friendship Fund receives the loose offering when communion is served.

Offertory

"To God Let Us Sing Our Praises"
Chancel Choir

Charpentier, arr. Behret

*Doxology | **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God above; ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Elements | The communion bread is gluten free.

Prayer of Dedication

We Bear God's Word into the World

*Hymn

["For the Bread Which You Have Broken"](#)

No. 516

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response

**Go with us Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in Your Spirit, strong and true, our lives may be our gift to you.**

*Postlude

"Final" from Symphony no. 1

Louis Vierne

* All those who are able may stand.

The Chancel flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are given
in loving memory of Clarence Frizzell by his wife, Janice Frizzell.