An Order for the Worship of God

August 14, 2022

Ringing of the Bells Welcome & Announcements Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

* Call to Worship: (Liturgist – Congregation) based on Psalm 80 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,

You who lead Joseph like a flock!

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.

Stir up your might, and come to save us!

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

Let your face shine, that we may be saved.

*Opening Hymn: #8, All People That on Earth Do Dwell, V. 1-3

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Lord of light and life, you have called us this day to open our hearts, our minds, our spirits to hear your words of encouragement, healing, and hope. Give us patience and willingness to serve you in all that we do. And now, as Jesus taught us, we pray Our Father ... (debts/debtors)

Prayer of Confession

God of healing mercies, we come to you this day as imperfect people. We know that you desire for us hope, happiness, and love, yet we have found so many ways in which to block your gifts, or to grab hold of them as if we were entitled to them. We have been given the pathway to peace in the witness of Jesus Christ. He taught us to live as people of compassion and service. But our service has been mostly for ourselves, for our own gratification. We have failed to be your church, your witnesses on earth. We have neglected the needs of others in our rush for our own comfort. Forgive us, O merciful God. Heal our wounded spirits. Turn us again to you, that we may again learn of your love and

mercy. Help us to become partners in peace and hope for others. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Turn again, O people, to the Lord who always loves you. Remember God's loving mercies and faithfulness. **Amen.**

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 11:19-12:2

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

* Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:49-56

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: May the reading and the hearing of Your word inform our minds, comfort our souls and guide our feet.

Sermon: Trouble in Life Jerry Eisner

* Responsive Hymn: #367, O Jesus, I Have Promised

Congregational Prayer

Call for the Offering

As Christ's disciples, let us offer our gifts to his ministry.

* Doxology #562 (Pilgrim)

Offering Prayer

Bountiful God, responding to your love and grace, we offer our gifts of time, talent and service. May our offerings feed and tend to your sheep. Amen

*Closing Hymn:

May the Lord, mighty Lord, Bless and keep you forever; Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage for ev'ry endeavor. Lift up your eyes and seek His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, mighty Lord Bless and keep you forever.

Benediction

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of Christ. Amen.

*Extinguishing the Candles Postlude

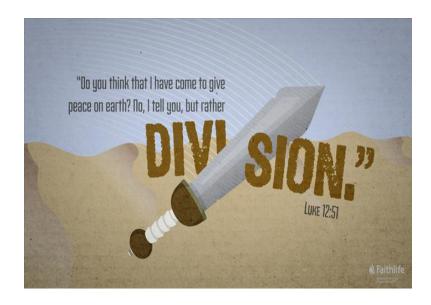
Worship Leaders

Offering the Message Jerry Eisner

Liturgist . Bob Laubenheimer
Director of Music . Sue Laubenheimer

Sunday School Director Julie Kluck

ST. JACOBI CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



Welcome Visitors! Thank you for joining this congregation for worship this morning. You are welcome and encouraged to participate in all functions of the church including communion and fellowship. Please pick up a Welcome! Folder as you exit the church to learn more about the offerings of St Jacobi Congregational Church!

We are happy you are here!

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