

Sunday, July 10, 2022, Bulletin

### UNISON OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God, whom all hearts and minds are open, and from whom nothing is hidden, we are gathered to honor you with offerings of praise and thanksgiving and to listen to your word for our lives. May our offerings rise to you as a sweet savor and bless us to hear and receive your word. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen**

### WELCOME

**Welcome to the United Presbyterian Church Plainfield. We praise God that you are joining us. May the Spirit of the living God bless you during this service.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. July 18-22, Vacation Bible School UPC Vacation Bible School, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 Pm.
2. July 21, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, UPC Pastor's Luncheon – How to Get Through Tough Times

### RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

**The mercies of God never come to an end.**

Let the redeemed of the Lord say,

**Jesus is the lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.**

**Praise the Lord!**

**OPENING HYMN (GTG) # 307** Vs. 1,2, and 4

God of Grace and God of Glory,

**RESPONSIVE READING**

Psalm 25:1-10

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

**Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**

Make me know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you, I wait all day long.

**Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love, remember me, for your goodness's sake, O LORD!

**Good and upright is the LORD; therefore, he instructs sinners in the way.**

He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

**All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed (traditional version)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### **PASSING THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Please join me in the unison prayer.

#### **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**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 our debts as we forgive our debts. Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God loves us, Jesus died for us, and the Holy Spirit is our keeper. Be at peace. The Bible says when we confess our sins and earnestly repent, God forgives us and cleanses us from all unrighteousness.

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

##### **SERMONIC TEXT**

**Colossians 1:9b-14**

...we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

#### **MORNING MEDITATION**

Traversing Tough Terrain

#### **CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP**

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**CLOSING HYMN** (GTG) # 451

Open My Eyes That I Might See

**BENEDICTION** We entered to worship. Now, let us leave to serve the Lord with gladness.

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (GTG) 601

Amen