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Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 18, 2022

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***Opening Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #1

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

***Call to Worship**

Worship Leader

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Praise the one who has no match, for we are the servants of God.

People: There is none like our God in heaven or on earth.

Gathering Prayer

Lois Morse

Call to Confession

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Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

People: Ruler of all things, we admit that we are more shrewd in getting ahead in earthly things than we are in heavenly things. We may try to avoid taxes but not to avoid temptation. We exaggerate our own value. Forgive dishonest accounting and slipshod morality for the sake of your Son, our savior Jesus Christ.

Leader: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Leader: Friends, hear the good news! It is the will of God that all should find salvation and come to know the truth.

People: In Christ, we have found salvation and come to know the truth.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Word

A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Lois Morse

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored?

O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Luke 16:1-13

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Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message "Lessons from a Couple of Rascals" Dr. Yvan Kelly
***Second Hymn** Glory to God Hymnal #450 "Be Thou My Vision"
***Affirmation of Faith** Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again

from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on 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 Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers and Offering

Prayers of the People/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.

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: Timeless God, you entered our time with your son Jesus, and are with us now and always in the Spirit. Receive these tokens of our earthly income. Let these gifts be used for your kingdom, that we may be received into your priceless home, through Jesus of Nazareth. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn** Glory to God Hymnal #546
"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

Charge and Blessing Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

Monthly Potluck Luncheon September 25 - September's Potluck Luncheon will be held next Sunday, September 25, after worship. If you plan on attending, please bring a dish to share.

Session Meeting September 25 - The Session will meet following the potluck next Sunday, September 25.

Setting up of the Pumpkin Patch October 1 - Setting up of the Pumpkin Patch will take place on Saturday, October 1, beginning at 8:00 a.m. until about 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Please consider helping out for a few hours to help set up the patch before our pumpkins arrive on October 4.

Peace Offering October 2 - Kirkwood Presbyterian Church is collecting Peace Offerings on Sunday, October 2. These valuable collections go to local, national, and worldwide funds that promote peace, confront injustice, and promote reconciliation. Join us and generously give to this special fund by using the special envelopes in the friendship pads.

The Pumpkins Are Coming! The Pumpkins Are Coming! October 4 - If anyone is able to help in anyway - collecting of pallets, setting up the patch, unloading our delivery and/or selling, or if you have any questions, please contact Shawn Brecht at 904.718.3128 or Mike Brodersen at 904.673.7663. The pumpkins will be delivered on Tuesday, October 4, at 4:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet for selling the pumpkins is in the narthex.

Fall Festival Volunteers Needed - We need volunteers to work the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 22. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Please consider helping for a few hours to help make this a successful festival.

Mark your calendars for our annual Fall Festival October 22! - Our annual Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, October 22, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. We will have a D.J., a local band, solo artist Charlie Chiusa, a bouncy house, and upscale food items.

Christmas Cantata - After church each Sunday, we will be learning the music for the Christmas Cantata. If you are interested, reach out to Chevy Brodersen at chevyjax@att.net or at 904.673.7662. To have the music emailed to you, email Chevy.

Kirkwood Facebook page - Facebook is one way we share the good news of God's love! Things you can do to improve our visibility: "like" our page, like/share our posts, and "check-in" at the church (especially on Sunday mornings)!

Financial Giving - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed [here](#).

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