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Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 25, 2022

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***Opening Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #458 (2x)

“Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet”

***Call to Worship**

Worship Leader

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

People: And also with you.

Leader: As long as you live, praise the Lord.

People: We sing praises to our God all our lives long.

Gathering Prayer

Kathy Stanley

Call to Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

People: All seeing God, too often we close our eyes to what is going on in the world. We ignore those who go hungry, those who need shelter, those who have been abused, those who need emotional support. Forgive our inaction, which is so unlike the compassion and involvement 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! Happy is the person whose hopes are in God.

People: God loves us and restores us. He is straightening us out.

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)

*please stand

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah had said, "Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the Lord: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it; Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord. And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Reader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they

will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'”

Reader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Message

“Losing Focus”

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Middle Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #38

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

***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: Eternal God, graciously receive our humble gifts. Transform our offerings into acts of love to one another and to the whole world; in the Spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #306 v. 1, 3, & 5

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

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

Session Meeting September 25 - The Session will meet following the potluck this 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 pumpkin arrive on October 4.

Peace Offering October 2 - Kirkwood Presbyterian Church is collecting Peace Offerings next 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.

Pumpkin Patch Opens October 5 - The Pumpkin Patch opens on Thursday, October 5. This is our most successful fundraiser, but we can only make this successful if we have the volunteers to work the patch. Please consider signing up and working in the pumpkin patch this year. A sign-up sheet 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.

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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