

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 28, 2022**

**11:00 AM**

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**THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

We continue to be in Ordinary Time of the liturgical calendar. *Ordinary* doesn't mean *usual* or *not special*, it refers to the ordinal numbers that are used to count the Sundays in the season (today is the 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost). Ordinary Time is basically counted time. It is a time in-between the big celebrations of the liturgical year when we can focus on living daily the truths we learned during the Easter season and the gifts of the Spirit we confirmed on Pentecost. The liturgical color for Ordinary Time is green, symbolizing this season as one of the growth for Christians. What about today's texts are "ordinary"?

**OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

**Prelude**

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul" (Kelsey)

David Thompson

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Our God is the same yesterday, today and forever.

**People: God always wants to be in relationship with us.**

Leader: God delivered the people from slavery in Egypt,

**People: And God can deliver us from whatever enslaves us.**

Leader: God delivers us through the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ.

**People: Holy God, accept our praise and adoration, we pray, for we offer them in Jesus' name and through the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**\*Hymn of Praise # 610**

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**God of mercy, we are always uncomfortable when you notice our failings: how we want to sit in the seats of honor, how we imagine ourselves superior to others, how we focus on completing our daily list of things to do but forget to do good when we have the chance. Forgive us, we pray. Have mercy on us. Heal the brokenness in our world caused by indifference, selfishness, and fear. Remind us that we are guests invited to your banquet, dependent on your love, mercy, and generosity. May we be good guests and, at your banquet learn to be good hosts to others. Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: This is the good news: If God is for us, who can be against us? Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Because of Christ, we are new people living into new life. Friends, believe the good news --

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**\*Gloria Patri #581**

*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.*

**THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**Children's Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

**Morning Prayer concluding with Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem** (see insert)

"We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light" (Zulu Song)

Chancel Choir

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**First Reading**

Jeremiah 2:4-13

**Second Reading**

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

**Third Reading**

Luke 4:1, 7-14

Leader: The Word of God, for us, the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon**

"Something You Do"

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

**Service of Giving**

**Offertory**

"Meditation on Be Thou My Vision" (Lau)

Rita Harmon

**\*Doxology # 606**

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

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

*(The Confession of 1967, 9.22-23)*

The new life in Jesus Christ takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace. The new life does not release people from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, and fear. They still have to struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, as they mature in love and faithfulness in their life with Christ, they live in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.

**\*Hymn # 837**

"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

"Flourish on Love den Herren" (Wagner)

Rita Harmon

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Robin Morris

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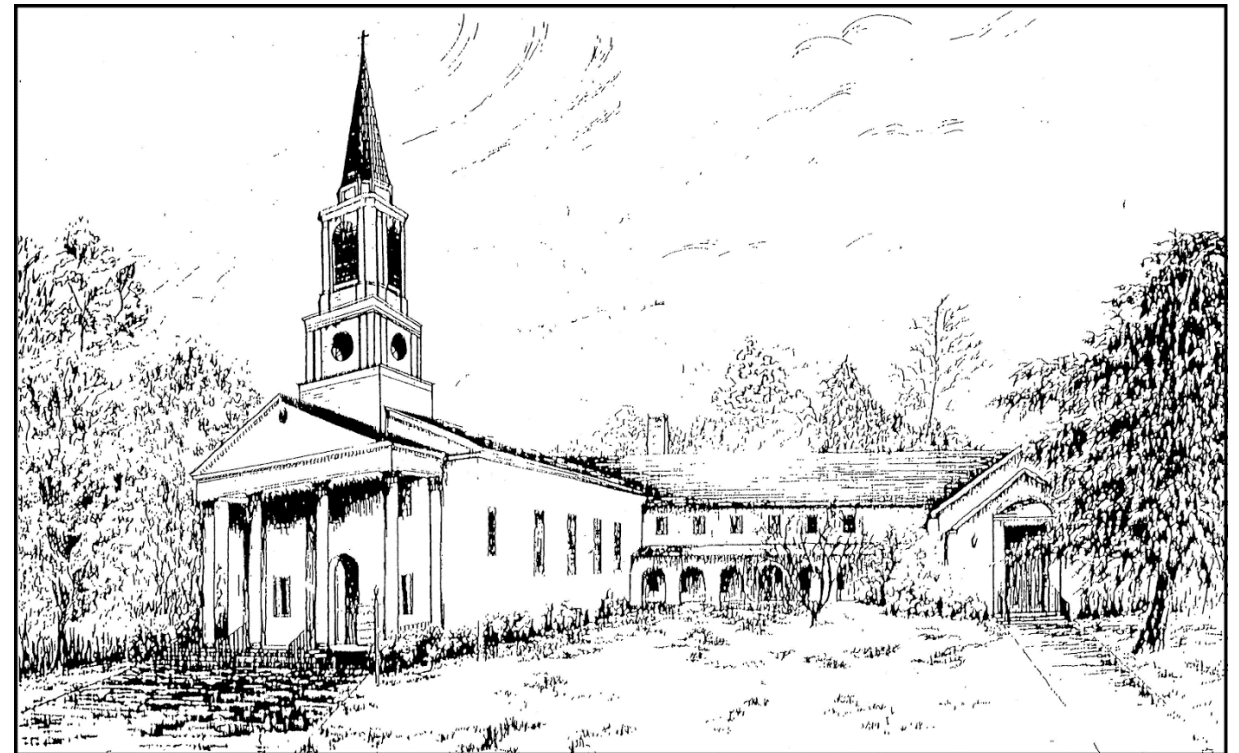
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# LIMESTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**The Life of the Church**  
**August 28 – September 4, 2022**

**WELCOME!**

We invite you to come again and consider making Limestone Presbyterian your church home.

**Flowers:** The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Melinda Peeler and James Hart's wedding shower by Sharon Thompson and Robin Morris.

**Birthdays:** August 29 – Anne Borthwick  
September 2 – Jack Jolly  
September 3 – Ken Byers

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<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School
	10:15 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 AM	Worship - Sanctuary & via Facebook Live
	2:00 PM	Wedding Shower - Parlor
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 PM	Wednesday Night supper - FLC

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**The Sunday School Offering** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter will be donated to Christmas Is For Kids. Through a fundraiser started by The Gaffney Ledger, disadvantaged children are treated each year to a shopping spree to help make their holiday season brighter. For every \$100.00 donated, a child will be taken to Walmart to select the clothes and toys they want for Christmas.

**Please remember in prayer:**

Roberta Byers; Family & friends of Jane Thompson; Mary Aiken; Heath Wiseman; Debbie Van Deventer; Larry Vincent; Trish Tong; Steve Beheler; Tim Sinnott; a confidential request for a lymphoma diagnosis; several family & friends who have tested positive for Coved.

**Be a part of Limestone's Visioning Process:**

The first prompt in last week's Visioning was: What Biblical story person, or verse best captures who you think Limestone Presbyterian Church is being called to be? Among the answers were John 13:34-35, the Good Samaritan (twice!), Hebrews 13:1-3, Mary and Martha, and I Corinthians 12:4-30. Which of those do you think would best give the congregation something to which we can aspire? Do you have a different idea? It's not too late to join the process. See Lynn if you want to participate, or you can pick up (and return) hard copies of each week's prompts in the church office.

**Wedding Shower for Melinda Peeler – August 28**

Our church will host a wedding shower for Melinda Peeler on TODAY @ 2:00 in the Parlor. Melinda and James are registered with Amazon and Target.

**About the Affirmation of Faith:**

*The Confession of 1967* (abbreviated C67) begins with the affirmation that, "The church confesses its faith when it bears a present witness to God's grace in Jesus Christ." Thus, this confession speaks directly to life in America in 1967. It speaks of the reconciling work of Jesus Christ and the church's need to be part of that reconciling work. The Confession's introduction specifically notes that "our generation stands in peculiar need of reconciliation in Christ." The work of reconciliation is not done, so C67 continues to speak to us today.

**"We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light" (Anthem)**

REFRAIN:

We are singing, Oh, we are singing, for the Lord is our light.  
We are singing, Oh, we are singing, for the Lord is our light.

VERSE:

The Lord is the strength of our lives; Of whom shall we be afraid?  
Though foes may be near to destroy; The Lord may be our light.

REFRAIN

VERSE:

We walk in the strength of the Lord, God's love is ever sure.  
We shout that the world may hear, we sing a joyful song.

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