

Summerville Presbyterian Church
July 28, 2013
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Preparation for Worship (for silent meditation)

**Preaching communicates the Word of God
In different styles and ways,
believers have related Scripture
to the situations in which they lived.**

**The Spirit has given them power and boldness
to speak God's Word through their words.**

**We believe that the preaching of the Word
is an event in which God himself confronts us.**

**As the gathered community speaks to God in worship
we expect God to speak to us in preaching.**

Preaching can take a variety of forms.

**When it is faithful and obedient
the Holy Spirit uses it
to convert unbelievers,
to strengthen believers,
to form and reform the church.**

FROM "A DECLARATION OF FAITH"

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Hymn 416 "God of Grace and God of Glory" (Stanzas 1 and 2)

L: What is the chief end of a person?

P: To worship God and enjoy God forever.

Announcements – We invite visitors to sign the pew register.

Prelude

Call to Worship *Ps. 138*

L: With all our hearts,

P: **we praise you, O Lord.**

L: As we bow down before you,

P: **we praise you, O Lord.**

L: Because you have exalted your name and your promise above everything else,

P: **we praise you, O Lord.**

L: Your love, O Lord, endures forever;

P: **we praise you, O Lord.**

Prayer of Confession (in unison) *Ps. 85; Col. 2:6–15, (16–19)*

O God of our salvation,
 speak peace to your people
 as we turn to you in our hearts.
 We confess we have been easily deceived
 by empty philosophies,
 and puffed up without cause
 by human ways of thinking.
 In our pursuit of prosperity,
 we have failed to hold fast to Christ our Head,
 for the growth that comes from you.
 In our pride,
 we have sought satisfaction in the shadows,
 when the substance of your reign
 belongs to Jesus Christ,
 and your Spirit is ever calling us home.
 Pardon your people and show us your favor.
 Renew us, O God, and restore us again,
 that we may abide forever in your presence,
 abounding in thanksgiving.

Assurance of Pardon***Gloria Patri****Epistle Reading:** Colossians 2:6-15**Gospel Reading:** Luke 11:1-13**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD****Prayer for illumination**

Tanakh Reading: Hosea 1:2-10
 The Word of the Lord
 Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Christian Channeling

The Rev. Dr. Tom Ballard

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed p. 566 bottom***Hymn of Reflection** # 436 "Lord, Speak to Me"

Prayer of Intercession
Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving**

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn of Going Forth** # 429 "God of the Prophets" (Stanzas 1 and 2)

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

The pastor will greet you at the main entrance doors following worship. For the benefit of those who wish to listen to the postlude, please refrain from visiting with your neighbors until you have left the Sanctuary, or until the Postlude is concluded.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Rev. Ballard can be reached** at home at 563-6744, by cell phone at 865-223-3773 or by email at tballard4603@rochester.rr.com.

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 28 th	Worship @ 9:15 a.m. Lemonade on the lawn	Sanctuary
Monday, July 29 th	AA @ 6:00 p.m.	Rooms 10/14
Thur. August 1 st	Property @ 7pm	Memorial Lounge
Next Sunday, Aug. 4 th	Worship @ 9:15 a.m. Communion Lemonade on the lawn	Sanctuary

Congregational Concerns

Janey Butler, daughter-in-law of Lois and Gerry Butler (1)
 Maeve Feeney, (Boston) daughter of friends of Jeri Powell (10)
 Joan Gibbs, (SC) friend of Lou and Tom Ballard
 Royetta Pulver (15)
 Jan Shrine, friend of Stephanie Aldersley-Polowe (12)
 Bobbi Tobin, friend of Jane Kleehammer, former pastor at IPC (11)
 Paul White, friend of Jeri Powell (10)
 Eileen Wilkinson (7)

Greeter:

Usher:

Join us for lemonade on the lawn hosted today by _____.