



West Richmond Church of the Brethren

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"Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together."

November 1, 2020

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* L. Shackley

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

Opening Words based on #123 *Sing the Journey*

God is home to the exile, touch to the frozen, daylight
to the prisoner, authority to the silent, anger to the
helpless, laughter to the weary, direction to the joyful.
Let us gather, offering our humble hallelujahs, knowing
God is among us and within us.

Opening Prayer based on #122 *Sing the Journey*

O God, you are the source of all hope and purpose.
Bless those who are absent, but not from your love.
Bless each of us here, that we might live justly. Teach us
to draw kindness from your well of compassion. Thank
you for the saints that have gone before us and inspired
us to set our lives apart in your service. Amen.

Hymn *We praise thee, O God* #99 (2, 5)

CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

Children's Story

Hymn *Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah* #50 (1, 3)

Congregational Prayer based on #145 *Sing the Journey*

O God, we pray this day for all who have a song they cannot sing, for all who have a burden they cannot bear, for all who live in chains they cannot break, for all who wander homeless and cannot return, for those who are sick and for those who attend them, for those who wait for loved ones and wait in vain, for those who live in hunger and for those who will not share their bread, for those who are misunderstood and for those who misunderstand, for those who are captives and for those who are captors, for those whose words of love and locked within their hearts and for those who yearn to hear those words. Amen.

Invitation to Share based on #149 *Sing the Journey*

Those who find their purpose in God, gratefully see eating, drinking, clothing, shelter, even masks, voting, and civility, as ways to freely serve neighbors and the world. In this spirit, we continue to offer up our resources as a humble hallelujah to God.

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Special Music *Meditation* J. Krug

Scripture Lessons Psalms 145:1-3, 8-14 (GNT)
Colossians 3:12-14, 16

Sermon "The Humility of Hallelujah"

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Closing Hymn *All creatures of our God and King*#48 (5, 7)

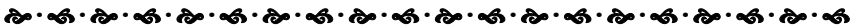
Benediction

O God, from where we are, to where you need us to be,
lead on. From the security of what we know, to the
adventure of what you reveal, lead on. Refashion the
fabric of this world until it resembles your holy kinship.
Lead us on your way, in the spirit of Jesus. Amen.

Postlude

For all the Saints

R.V. Williams



PastorDavid Whitten

Guest Speaker David Brunk

Flutist Sarah Beers

Organist/Pianist Bob Phillips

Producer Kevin Beers