

# SHALLOTTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*“Be like those who are waiting for their  
master to return...”*

Luke 12:36



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

9th Sunday After Pentecost | August 7, 2022

*(\*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary, to stand.  
All speak words in **boldface**.)*

### ❖ **Called by God We Gather** ❖

#### GATHERING MUSIC

*(Gather and greet each other in joy.)*

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Curry

#### CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY AND IN MUSIC

*(When the chimes toll, let us silently open our spirit to God's  
presence in our midst.)*

Prelude

Lynne Young

## OPENING SENTENCES

Sue Anderson & Ken Curry, liturgists

Give thanks to the Lord,  
for God's love is reliable.

**God's mercy and kindness  
are faithful and sure.**

God keeps rescuing us,  
no matter how often we lose ourselves.

**God is our Savior!**

**How can we keep from praising such love?**

\*HYMN #370

*This Is My Father's World*

TERRA BEATA

\*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

In silence, we bring our confessions to you.

*(Silent confession)*

Have mercy on us, holy God.

**Help us to keep practicing, "do not be afraid".**

**Teach us to do what is right  
and to be rich in good works;**

**always generous and ready to share.**

**By your grace, open our hearts and hands**

**so that we may take hold of the life**

**that really is life—a life of things eternal—**

**through the faith and love of Jesus Christ,**

**our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel:  
The grace of God overflows for us through the faith and love of Christ  
Jesus, who came into the world to save sinners.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

***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.***

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text P.D. TUNE: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851 P.D.

❖ **To Hear God's Word of Grace** ❖

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

MUSICAL OFFERING

*God Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

arr. Lloyd Larson

Sue Anderson, Alberta Gisel, Ken Curry, & Ed Carter, quartet

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12:32-40

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Return"

Rev. Clay Macaulay

*"Be like those who are waiting for their  
master to return..."*

# ❖ To Respond in Faith with Gratitude ❖

## SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

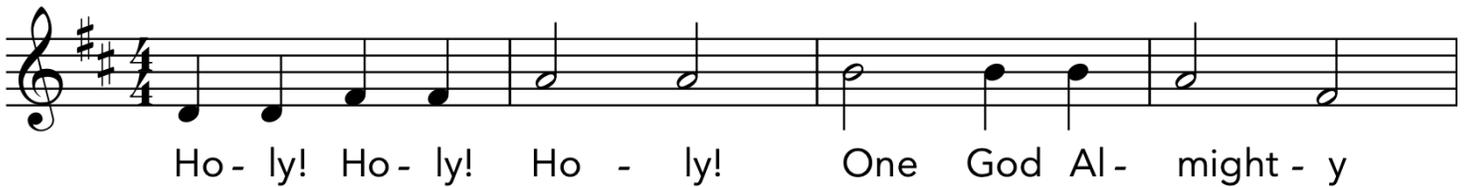
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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And so we praise you tuning our voices to the angels' songs,  
joining all those who sing on earth and in heaven:



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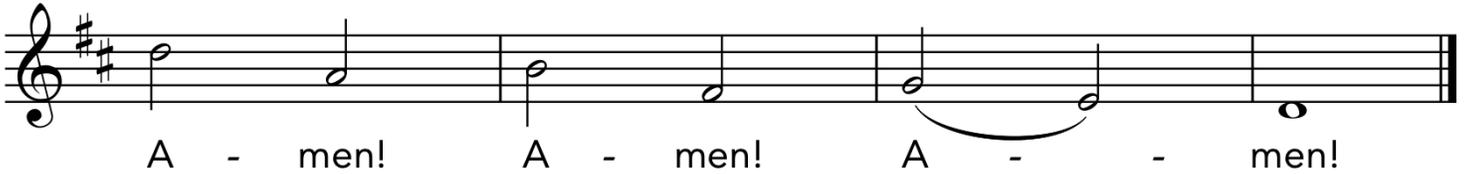
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Remembering his life and suffering, his resurrection and ascension, we take this bread and cup in faith, and give our lives to you in praise.

**Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life.  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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All glory and honor are yours, Holy God, through Christ and in the unity of the Spirit, now and forever.



Lord's Prayer

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Words of Institution

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Communion

Communion Music

*I Will Always Be with You*

Joseph M. Martin

Bill Young, tenor

Prayer after Communion

**Holy God,  
we are grateful for this feast  
of hope, remembrance, and communion.  
Here,  
you have met us, fed us,  
and bound us to one another.  
Nourished,  
with the story of faith that we treasure,  
we are ready—  
dressed for action, with our lamps lit—  
to serve the world  
in Christ's name.  
Amen.**

❖ **Depart Blessed to Serve** ❖

\*HYMN #353

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

SOLID ROCK

BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

SENDING MUSIC



**Randy Warner**, Liturgy and Music Associate; **Kathy Sasso**, Office Manager;  
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**Hery Ramambasoa**, Regional Liaison for Southeast Asia and the Pacific



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