First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 7, 2013

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45) Concerns of the Church Prelude

Lighting of the Sabbatical Candle Call to Worship Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters. *The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.*

* Hymn 145 (PH) "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. As you have chosen us and claimed us in our baptism, strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world. Give us your Holy Spirit that each one in ministry may be provided with all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen. * Assurance of Pardon* Passing of the Peace* Gloria Patri (PH 579)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination Epistle Lesson: Galatians 6:7-16 (NT, p. 191) A Time with Children

Special Music

10:00 a.m.

from Psalm 29

Second Lesson: 2 Kings 5:8-14 (OT, p. 386) Sermon: "Wash and Be Clean" (Inside and Out)

Rev. Griffith

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 513 (PH) "Let Us Break Bread Together" * Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (PH, p. 14)

Offering Offertory

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Invitation to the Lord's Table Prayer of Thanksgiving (PH, p. 13) The Lord's Prayer The Words of Institution Communion of the People Please hold the bread until all are served, so that we might share it as a sign of our unity in Christ. As a sign of individual devotion and commitment, you may drink the cup as you are served.

* Prayer after Communion

* Silent Confession

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 239 (*Sing*) "Wash Me Through and Through"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

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- * All who are able shall stand.
- PH Presbyterian Hymnal
- Sing Sing! A New Creation (green songbook)

The flower arrangement this morning has been given by Barbara and Robert Mellander to the glory of God and in loving memory of George Mellander, husband and brother.

The basket of flowers is dedicated to the glory of God and given by the children of Sandra and Steuart Bailey in celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor Organist Liturgist Usher Welcomers Rev. Roger Griffith Kay Ten Eyck Carol Winn John Conklin, Carole LaCoe Lorraine Daniels, Patti Delaney on the name 2 Kings 5:11

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Galatians 6: 7-16

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

2 Kings 5:8-14

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel."

So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.