First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 5, 2016 10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Let Us Break Bread Together"

arr. Wood

Call to Worship

Sing praise to the Lord, you faithful people.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

For the Lord restores our life;

God raises us from the dead.

Will the dust sing God's praise, or tell of God's faithfulness?

Our souls will sing to the Lord. How can we be silent? We will give thanks to God forever.

- * Hymn 511 "Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven"

 Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.
- * Call to Confession
- * Prayer of Confession

Loving God, hear our prayer—

our eyes are tired from weeping, our hearts are heavy with sin.

We have trusted too much in our own strength.

We have hidden our faces from those who suffer.

We have turned away from neighbors in need.

We have given up hope instead of seeking your help.

Lord, be gracious to us.

Forgive our sin, heal our brokenness, and fill our hearts with songs of joy.

- * Assurance of Pardon
- * Passing of the Peace
- * Response 390 "Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!"

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia! (repeat)
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PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: 1 Kings 17:8-24 (OT, p. 324)

A Time with Children

Anthem "There is a Balm in Gilead" Dawson

Second Lesson: Luke 7:11-17 (NT, p. 65)

Sermon: "Not Captive to the Death Business" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 610 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Recognition of Graduates

Offering

Offertory "We Come to the Hungry Feast" arr. Cherwien

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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.

^{*} Silent Confession

^{*} Prayer after Communion

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 295 "Go to the World!"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Trumpet Tune" Lau

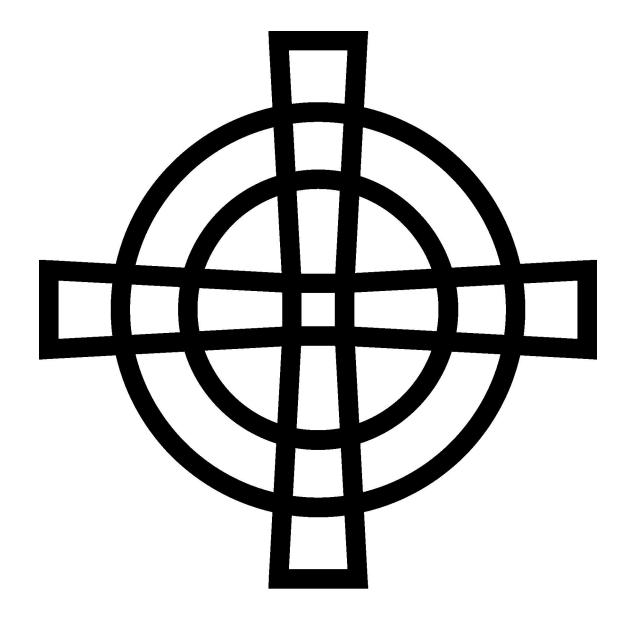
The flowers this morning have been given by Don and Betty Keen to the glory of God and in memory of Don's mother, Edith Keen.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor William Carter
Director of Music Frank Jones
Organist Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist Andy Kepler
Ushers Meg Hatch, Donna Kepler
Welcomers Barbara and Jack Pittman

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^{*} All who are able shall stand.

1 Kings 17:8-24

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that theLORD sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. She then said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!" But he said to her, "Give me your son." He took him from her bosom, carried

him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. He cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?" Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of theLORD in your mouth is truth."

Luke 7:11-17

Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.