

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty and compassionate God,
Every day, in our desire to attain our wants, avoid discomfort,
and shun those we do not know or love,
we show ourselves to be unworthy of your gift of love.
Forgive us, we pray.
We ask for your power to renew us in body and spirit,
that we will be able, through your help, to walk in the way you intend.
Lead us, O Lord, as we journey toward justice and righteousness.**

SILENT PRAYERS

SUNG RESPONSE

HS No. 68

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved, all who have wandered are not lost, for you have been brought back by the redemption of God and forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Savior. Hear this good news and be at peace.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

#

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

No. 479

**Praise, my soul, the God of heaven, glad of heart your carols raise;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, should sing God's praise?
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Maker all your days!**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE CHURCH AND COMMUNITY 11:00

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO 5TH AND 6TH GRADERS 11:00

GOD'S WORD TO US

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER

Psalm 104:1-9, 31-32

OT pg. 524

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 6:1-13

NT pg. 38

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Benvvenuti!

Ken Henry

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

***AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe Christ gives us and demands of us
lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom.**

**Like Christ we may enjoy on our journey
all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful.**

**No more than Christ are we spared the darkness, ambiguity,
And threat of life in the world.**

We are in the world, but not of the world.

**Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people
do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world,
but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.**

Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom:

to serve as he has served us,

to take up our cross,

to risk the consequences of faithful discipleship,

to walk by faith, not by sight,

to hope for what we have not seen.

***HYMN 11:00**

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

No. 426

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

concluding with THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 16

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY 8:30

11:00

Trio

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

J.L. Krebs

Alan Ridout



Westminster Presbyterian Church
Charlottesville, Virginia

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

HS No. 83

Worship, honor, glory, blessing, Lord we offer as your gift.

Young and old your praise expressing, our glad song to you we lift.

All the saints in heav'n adore you, we would join their glad acclaim;

As your angels serve before you, so on earth we praise your name.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of wisdom,

may this offering serve as a powerful witness to this world in need.

Guide us as we administer the gifts you have given us

for the building of your kingdom.

In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

No. 285

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Servant, Go Forth

Mark Patterson

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Psalm 36

J. P. Sweelinck

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

All journeys have secret destinations of which the traveler is unaware.

Martin Buber, *The Secret Life of the Hasidim*

**SILENT
PRAYER AND
MEDITATION**

Holy One,

help me to

journey beyond

the familiar into

the unknown.

Give me faith to

leave the old ways

and break fresh

ground with you.

Help me to know

that you are with

me every step

of the way.

Amen.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Psalm 36*

J. P. Sweelinck

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord!

My God, how great you are!

God stretches out the heavens and shapes the earth.

We will sing to the Lord as long as we live.

God raises up the mountains and pours water into the seas.

We will praise our God to our last breath!

God breathes upon us and fills us with life.

May the glory of the Lord last forever!

#

*HYMN

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

No. 229

CALL TO CONFESSION

*... With sincere hearts and minds, let us confess our sins before God
and the world, trusting in God's mercy to forgive.*

*Congregation may stand. #Latecomers seated.

Please turn off cell phones during the service.

