

Worship for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost weekend, 7/19/2020:

Call to Worship -- # 658 CHILDREN OF GOD

from 1 John 3:1-3, 16-22; Psalm 139:23-24 (NIV)

LEADER 1: How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!

LEADER 2: And that is what we are!

LEADER 1: Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known.

LEADER 2: But we know that when He appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

LEADER 1: Everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. This is how we know what love is:

LEADER 2: Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

LEADER 1: If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?

Dear children, let us not love with words, but with actions and in truth.

LEADER 2: This then is how we know that we belong to the truth, and how we set our hearts at rest in His presence whenever our hearts condemn us.

LEADER 1: For God is greater than our hearts, and He knows everything. Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive from Him anything we ask, because we obey His commands and do what pleases Him.

LEADER 2: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and

lead me in the way everlasting.

Hymn: "More About Jesus" - from Daily Hymns {sing along with the word on the screen}

(click on link below) --

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hA49RCqFtsU>

Prayer of Confession:

God of compassion: you are patient with evil and you care for lost men and women; you have mercy on your children and forgive them of their sins. However, we often take advantage of your loving mercy thinking that we can do as we like going our own way. We are sorry for our disobedience, Lord. Teach us to obey you and to live our lives following the example of our elder brother Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon:

This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted, that Jesus Christ entered this world to rescue sinner. He personally bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is fresh and good. Dear friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel for in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 13:24-30 & 36-43 (NIV): Read by Ruth Morrison on video (click on link below) --

<https://www.facebook.com/nwpresbyterian/videos/910463622753554/>

Sermon: "What to do with Weeds" by Rev. Ward on video (click on link below) --

<https://www.facebook.com/nwpresbyterian/videos/281216766637009/>

Hymn: "In His Time" - from The Praise Series by Maranatha! Music {sing along with the word on the screen} (click on link below) --

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aJeNUINY7lw>

Benediction and Final Greetings (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17)

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. Amen."