

First Presbyterian Church
Huntsville, Tennessee
Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 8, 2017 11:00 A.M.

Prelude

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 118 and Matthew 21)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: The stone which the builders rejected

People: Has become the cornerstone of our faith.

Leader: This is the Lord's doing:

People: How amazing it is in our eyes!

*Hymn 433 *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

*Prayer of the Day (said by all)

**Almighty God, you built your church
on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
with Jesus Christ himself as the cornerstone.
Gather your church in unity, by your Holy Spirit,
that it may manifest your power among all peoples
to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our
Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Concerns of the Congregation

Message to the Children

*Hymn 401 *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; **Psalm 19**

Philippians 3:4b-14; *Matthew 21:33-46

*Gloria Patri (Hymn 546)

Piano Solo

Sermon

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Steve Sexton

Prayers of the People

After each prayer request:

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayers.

The Lord's Prayer

Affirmation of Faith: from Revelation 4 and 5

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn 544)

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 303 *Be Thou My Vision*

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

*indicates the congregation may stand

Psalm 19

The sky tells the glory of God,
Tells the genius of God's work.
Day carries the message to day,
Night brings the message to night,
Without a word, without a sound,
Without a voice being heard,
Yet their message fills the world,
Their news reaches its rim.
There God has pitched a tent,
For the sun to rest and be renewed
Like a bridegroom rising from bed,
An athlete eager to run the race.
It springs from the edge of the earth,
Runs a course across the sky,
To win the race at heaven's end.
Nothing on earth escapes its heat.

God's perfect law revives the soul.
God's stable rule guides the simple.
God's just demands delight the heart.
God's clear commands sharpen vision.
God's faultless decrees stand for ever.
God's right judgments keep their truth.
Their worth is more than gold, the purest gold;
**Their taste richer than honey, sweet
from the comb.**
Keeping them makes me rich, they bring me light;
Yet faults hide within us: forgive me mine.
Keep my pride in check, break its grip;
I shall be free of blame for deadly sin.
Keep me, thought and word,
In your good grace.
For Lord, you are my Savior,
You are my rock.

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Affirmation of Faith

from Revelation 4 and 5

**You are worthy, O Lord our God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they were created
and have their being.**

**You are worthy, O Christ, for you were slain,
and by your blood have ransomed us for God,
from every tribe and people and nation,
a royal house of priests to our God.**

**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth, wisdom and
might, honor and glory and blessing.**

**To the one seated upon the throne,
and to Christ the Lamb,
be blessing and honor, glory and might,
forever and ever.
Amen.**

The Ten Commandments

adapted by Carolyn C. Brown

1. I am God. I brought you out of slavery in Egypt. I opened the sea for your escape. I am the one and only God. Don't worship or pray to anything or anyone else.
2. I am bigger than anyone or anything you can imagine. So don't make pictures or statues that you think look like me and worship them. You'll get them wrong.
3. Say my name with respect.
4. Work six days of the week, but keep one for rest and for remembering that you are my people.
5. Treat your father and mother with respect.
6. Don't kill anyone.
7. Be loyal to your family.
8. Don't take what is not yours.
9. Don't tell lies about other people.
10. Don't wish that you had things that belong to other people.