



WHAT DOES
grace
LOOK LIKE?

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 17, 2022

GATHERING

PRAYER FOR MEDITATION: Almighty God, you have set a table before us, and called us to feast with you. Prepare us in mind and spirit to minister in your name as your disciples, and to honor your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray. Amen.

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME + ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Toccata-Chorale on SLANE

Jordan

Dr. Terry McRoberts

INTROIT

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

LEMMEL

(Choir + congregation)

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Patty Smith

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: *And also with you.*

One: God's word is a lamp to guide us.

ALL: *God's word is a light for our path.*

One: God calls us to walk according to his word. In God's word, we find life.

ALL: *God also gives to us the gift of his Living Word, Jesus Christ, his Son.*

One: When we dedicate our lives to Christ, he becomes the joy of our heart.

ALL: *God calls us to hear and to do all that he has commanded. God calls us to recognize Jesus as the Lord of all creation, and to declare him as Lord of our lives.
Let us worship our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer!*

*HYMN: 450 *Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. John White

One: Merciful God, in Christ you defied conventional wisdom when you called upon your followers to deny themselves, and to lose their lives for your sake.

ALL: *Forgive us when we focus on the things of this world, and falter in our understanding of what following you really means.*

(Silent prayer)

One: Forgive us when we fail to trust your holy wisdom Lord, and grant us eyes to see your way, and the courage to walk in that way.

ALL: *Forgive us when our common sense calls us to prefer the comfort of the familiar, rather than responding to your call into the unknown and risky journey of faithful discipleship.*

(Silent prayer)

One: Heavenly Father, give us the grace to listen for you, and to trust in the direction which you call us to travel. Forgive our lack of faith, and grant that we might see things in the light of your Kingdom.

ALL: *Renew us with the power of your Spirit so that we can commit ourselves anew to the challenge of serving others in your name and for your sake. In Christ we pray, Amen.*

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. John White

One: All of us are sinners, but “God proves his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8). Thus, I declare to you, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

ALL: *Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!*

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: 447 *We Are Forgiven*

WE ARE FORGIVEN

*We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. John White

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: *And, also, with you.*

THE WORD

*HYMN: 469 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

CHILDREN PRAYING

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Libby Smith

ACT OF PRAISE

Give Me Jesus
Cody Hooper, soloist

arr. Jeremy Camp

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John White

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Patty Smith

