Wisdom Literature:
Ecclesiastes

February 27, 2022
The Worship of God

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

There is a place for you at Northside Church to know the love of God, to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and to go into the world to serve others.

† Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol, and join in singing or reading aloud text in bold.

The Chiming of the Hour

The 8:30am Prelude | Holy, Holy, Holy | arr. Michael Burkhardt

Mr. Joshua McClure

The 11:15am Prelude

We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder | arr. Michael Burkhardt

Children’s Bell Choir

God Is So Good | arr. Venita MacGorman

Children’s Bell Choir

I Can Talk to God | Nan Grantham

Cherub Choir

I can talk to God and pray, for He hears each word I say.
Thank You, God, for watching me; Thank You, God, for all I see.
God is everywhere and I know He hears my prayer.

The Welcome

Dr. Bill Burch

† The Call to Worship

Dr. Burch

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.
People: A time to be born, and a time to die.
Pastor: A time to plant, and a time to harvest what was planted.
People: A time to weep, and a time to laugh.
Pastor: A time to mourn, and a time to dance.
People: A time to tear, and a time to sew.
Pastor: A time to keep silence, and a time to speak.
People: Now is the time to worship. Praise be to God. Amen.

† The Opening Hymn | Hymn 64: all stanzas | Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.
The Affirmation of Faith | Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Gloria Patri | Hymn 70 | 8:30am

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Children's Offering of Praise | We Will Rejoice | Ruth Elaine Schram | 11:15am

We will rejoice, we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad.
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No matter what goes wrong, the Lord will give you a song;
Rejoice and be glad! We will rejoice and be glad.

So, if you're feeling down, God's song can turn you around;
Rejoice and be glad! We will rejoice and be glad.

Every day is a gift from the Lord, when God's music lives in your heart.
So lift your voice, rejoice, rejoice! Rejoice and be glad! We will rejoice and be glad.

The Children's Moment | 11:15am

The Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Music for Preparation | Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring | J.S. Bach

Jesus, joy of our desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright;
drawn by thee, our souls aspiring soar to uncreated light.
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned,
striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying round thy throne.

The Scripture | Ecclesiastes 3:1–8

Pastor: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon | “Ecclesiastes”

The Hymn of Response | Hymn 140: all stanzas | Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

‡The Hymn of Response continued on next page.
Refrain:
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]
Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

The Ministry Moment | Habitat for Humanity
Mr. Jim Caswell

The Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings
Dr. Burch
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The Offertory | Turn, Turn, Turn (To Everything There Is a Season) | arr. Linda Palmer
Chancel Choir;
Ms. Kati Stewart, soloist;
& Mr. Huston, guitar

† The Doxology | Hymn 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† The Benediction
8:30AM | Dr. Burch
11:15AM | Rev. Rogers

The Postlude | Allegro Maestoso from Sonata II | Felix Mendelssohn
Mr. McClure

Ensembles & Directors
Nathan Schreer, 3rd–5th Choir • Ruth Brooks, K–2nd Choir
Natalie Rogers, Cherub Choir • Joshua McClure, Children’s Bell Choir

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God:
In loving memory of Andrew (Andy) Joseph Drinkard (2/17/84–2/28/17), given by Jim, Maria, Jen, and Sam Drinkard.

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