**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 1, 2023**

**PRELUDE** *Prelude in F, BuxWV 145* Buxtehude (1637-1707)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT** *Alleluia*  Milburn (b. 1963)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We gather with Christians near and far to sit at table with the Lord.

**People: Let us share the bread of life and pass the cup of salvation.**

Leader:AtGod’s table, there is room enough for all.

**People: Praise the Lord, who invites us to His joyful feast!**

Leader: Let us worship God.

# MORNING PRAYER

# OPENING HYMN 396 *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* Holy Manna

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

 **Loving Lord, you desire for us we the same mind as Christ, but our minds fix on attitudes and ambitions that draw us away from you. We labor for ourselves before considering how our time and talents could bless the world. We look up to the rich and famous and overlook the lowly, rather than affirming the dignity of all. Transform us, we pray. By your grace, give us the same mind and the same love as our Lord Jesus Christ, and work within us until our actions bear witness to the faith our tongues confess.**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI 581** Greatorex

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 25:1-10 p.436

**ANTHEM**  *In Remembrance* Red (1936-2013)

 (text can be found in hymn 521)

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 21:23-32 p. 802

**SERMON** *Public Opinion*Patrick Pettit, Interim Pastor

 **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed* Hymnal p. 35

 **THE LORD’S SUPPER**

*Invitation*

*Great Thanksgiving*

*Communion of the People*

**\*CLOSING HYMN** 498 *Loaves were Broken* Beach Spring

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

 **POSTLUDE** *Fugue in F, BuxWV 145* Buxtehude

 \***Please stand if able**

*Hearing devices are available for your convenience.*

*Please be aware that they do not function until after the service begins.*

Link for this week’s service: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UDQRZDHV6GA>



The Legacy: Mary June Cook

Shenandoah Nursing Home: Rubye Schwab, Nancy Garber

Home: Dick Huff, Mary Ultee, Mary Ann Maupin, Warner & Linda Sandquist,

Cathy Cunningham

Friends and Family: Erwin Berry (Joan), Bill Bromley, Jerry Hughes, Sally McNeel, Bill Metzel (Joyce Tipton), Col. Stuart Roberts (Mark Henderson), Paul Watts, Kathleen Clements (Colleen Cash). Josh Slonaker, Barb Ostrander (Holly Bennett), Marty Rogers (sister of Cathy Cunningham), Brooks Hoover, Betsy Boswell (Curry)

Military: Carson Craig

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 **Better Together Bible Study**

Will be held Monday Oct 2 at Smyrna Presbyterian Church from 1pm-2pm.

John Tindall, DCE at Westminster PC, will lead the exploration of the great stories and themes of the Bible. Make plans to attend! Class is open to all! Come regularly or when you can!

 **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA**

 *A community-minded congregation living out the love of Christ as we serve one another with humility, gentleness, and patience through God’s grace.*

**October 1, 2023 11:00 AM**



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