**TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST November 12, 2023**

**PRELUDE** *Prelude in A, BWV 536* Bach (1685-1750)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT** *Now Enter In* Hebble (1934-2020)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Let us speak of the glorious deeds of the Lord.

**People: We will not hide them but will tell them to the coming generations.**

Leader:Let us rise up and tell the world, that all might set their hope in God.

**People: May we never forget the words of God but keep His commandments.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

**MORNING PRAYER**

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**OPENING HYMN 8** *Eternal Father Strong to Save* Melita

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, you love us despite our many betrayals. We confess our failure to appreciate that legacy. We are ignorant of our history; your stories are forgotten. We take your work for granted, discount our dependence upon you, and shirk our responsibility to the covenant we share. Forgive us, O God, this and all our sin. Remind us what You have done, that we might neither grieve nor despair, but find hope in your promises. Amen.**

 **SILENT PRAYER**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI 581** Greatorex

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 70 p. 463

**ANTHEM** *Glory to God in the Highest*  Rutter (b. 1945)

 Maximilian Daggy, baritone

**SECOND SCRIPTURE** READING Matthew 25:1-13 p.806

**SERMON** *A wedding story*Patrick Pettit, Interim Pastor

 **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles’ Creed p.35

 **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**\*CLOSING HYMN 687** *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* St. Anne

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

 **POSTLUDE** *Fanfare* Soler (1729-1783)

\***Please stand if able**

*Hearing devices are available for your convenience.*

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

 **Today’s link is:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OgtgkbeLP6A>



Shenandoah Nursing Home: Nancy Garber

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

Cathy Cunningham

Friends and Family: Erwin Berry (Joan), Bill Bromley, Jean Custen, 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), Betsy Boswell (Curry)

Military: Carson Craig



**MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE *BETTER TOGETHER* BIBLE STUDIES!**

This week’s Bible Study is Monday, November 13, at 1:00 at Second Presbyterian Church.

Make plans to attend! Class is open to all! Come regularly or when you can!

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**November 12, 11:00 AM**



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