

# A FRIEND LOVES AT ALL TIMES

PROVERBS 17:17

Friends & Friendship Worship Series



July 3, 2022

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Order of Worship

4th Sunday After Pentecost

*Where you see an asterisk (\*), please rise in body or spirit.*

## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

### WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to worship Almighty God.

People: **We lift our songs, our prayers, our praises.**

Leader: Come to honor Christ Jesus.

People: **We offer Christ our hearts, our minds, and our spirits.**

### \*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN #396 — “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

### WE CONFESS OUR SINS

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we open our hearts and confess our sins—against you, against neighbor, against even ourselves. For the wrongs of our minds, hearts, hands, and spirits—forgive us. For our silence and lack of compassion—forgive us. For our anger and our fear, for the waste of your gifts—forgive us. For our part, known and unknown, in the suffering of any of your children—forgive us. For all the times we do not walk the way of love—forgive us in the name of Jesus Christ who goes before us.

## **SILENT CONFESSION and KYRIE — #576**

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### **\*THE GLORIA — #583**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God,  
alleluia, alleluia!**

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### **\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.**

**People: And also with you.**

## **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT — Pat Yancey**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING — Proverbs 17:17 — pg. 600 in OT**

*Please note that the scriptures will be read aloud from the NRSV (New Revised Standard Version) Updated Edition. The Bibles in our pews are NRSV. You may notice a few differences between what you hear and what you read as you follow along.*

### **SECOND SCRIPTURE READING — Proverbs 18:24 — pg. 601 in OT**

### **THIRD SCRIPTURE READING — John 11:1-6, 32-36 — pg. 104 in NT**

### **MESSAGE — “Real Friends” — Sandra Brown**

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

### **\*HYMN #504 — “We Come as Guests Invited”**

### **OFFERING**

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory — “Eternal Life” — Olive Dungan**

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**\*Doxology — #607**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**COMMUNION**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**WE DEPART IN JOY TO SERVE**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #340— “This Is My Song”**

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

**MINISTERS:** All the Members of the Congregation

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Patrick Yancey, *Commissioned Associate Pastor*  
The Rev. Dr. Neil Weatherhogg, *Pastor Emeritus*

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