



Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)

August 27, 2023

13th Sunday Pentecost

Order of Worship

Prelude *Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord* HALL

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *God, We Honor You* ABUNDANT BLESSINGS

+Call to Worship

One: We gather as the body of Christ.

All: We are many individuals, but together we are one.

One: Each of us has our own gifts, our own calling, our own role,

All: but all of us proclaim Jesus Christ is the Messiah!

+Opening Hymn #81 *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* AUSTRIAN HYMN

+Call to Confession

One: We seek the will of God, but still find ourselves conformed to this world, instead of being transformed into God's image. Let us seek forgiveness for the ways we have turned away from justice and mercy.

+Prayer of Confession *Unison*

Almighty God, when faced with earthly powers that seem overwhelming, we crumble. We fear this world. We fear losing our status, our stability, our station more than we fear You. Forgive our shortcomings and teach us to trust in You when we take a risk for what we know is right. (Moment of Silence)

+Assurance of Pardon

One: If God was not on our side, we could not stand in the judgment. But God is with us, steadfast and faithful, as we seek to live in peace.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

Offering
Offertory *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* BEACH SPRING

+Doxology #606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

+Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music *Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* Edwin M. Willmington

Prayer of Illumination

+Scripture Reading (Matthew 16:13-20) (Pew Bible, p. 18)

+Affirmation of Faith (Printed sheet in hymnal rack) The Apostle's Creed

+Gloria Patri #581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

Sermon "No Pop Quiz" Rev. Ron McDougald

Prayer of the People and Lord's Prayer (**debts, debtors**)

+Sending Hymn #718 *Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said* BOURBON
Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive collection

+Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Will You Come and Follow Me* KELVINGROVE

+Postlude *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* THE SERVANT SONG

+ Stand if you are able

WELCOME to Starkville Presbyterian Church. We are grateful for your presence in worship this morning.

