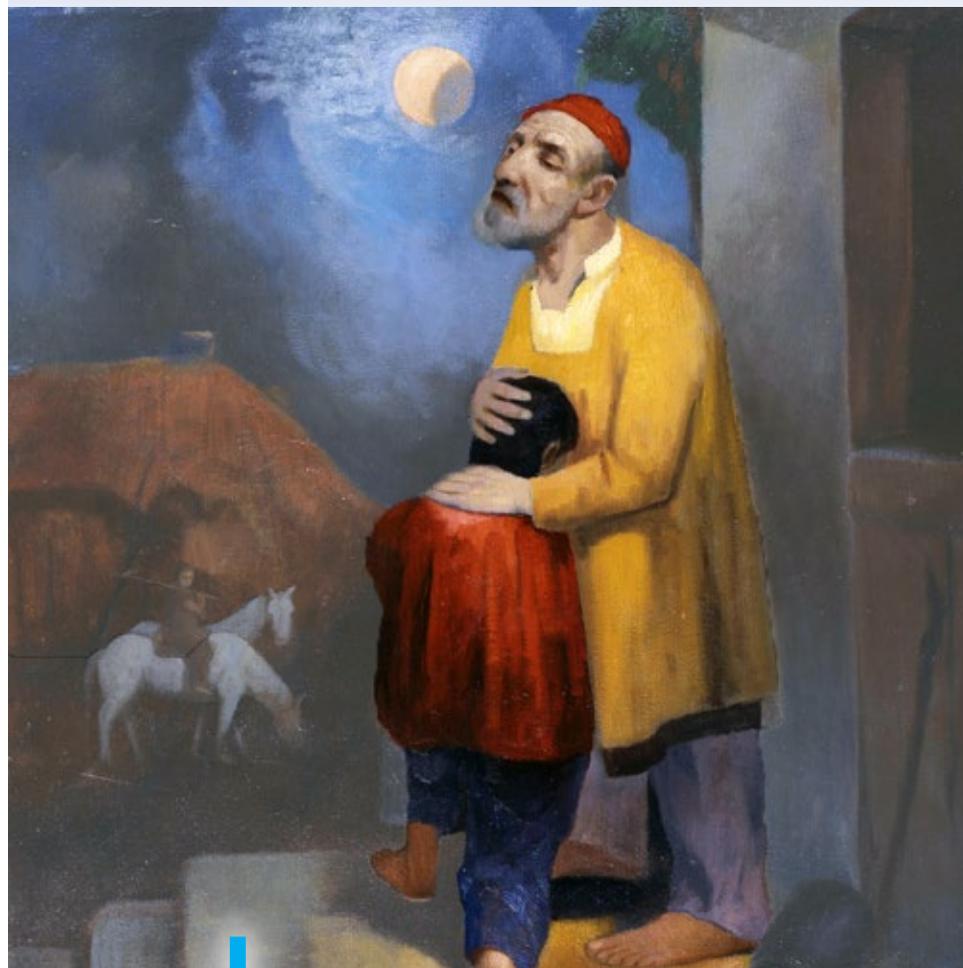


Prayer of Preparation

*○ God, you pour out
the Spirit of grace and
love. Deliver us from
cold hearts and wandering
thoughts, that with steady
minds and burning zeal
we may worship
you in spirit
and truth.
Amen.*

THE KING AND THE KINGDOM



arbor dale PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 2, 2018

Welcome!

We are grateful that you joined us today for worship and would love to keep in touch. We have a nursery for infants and toddlers. After the Passing of the Peace, Pre-K through 2nd Grade continue to worship upstairs. After the service, please join us downstairs for refreshments provided by Arbor Dale's Patience Group.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Refreshments for next Sunday:

Kindness Group. Contact Sherry Abernethy. 898-3813.

Last Call for Directory Updates! If you want to be in the church directory, or if your information has changed, please fill out an information card located in the foyer next to the guest book. If you would just like a new photo, please email a digital photo to keeneyplk@gmail.com. I will try to have this all done by the end of September.

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*Personal Thoughts
and Prayer Reminders*

Service for the Lord's Day — 2 September 2018

Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

*** Call to Worship**

Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land

All: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

*** Opening Hymn**

#11 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*** Confession**

O Lord our God, you have searched us and known us.

You know not only what we say, but also what we think. You know not only what we say, but also what we almost said. You know how quickly our thoughts rise to praise ourselves because we are well-off or good-looking or healthy or smart, boasting of your gifts as if they were our accomplishments.

You know how slowly our thoughts sink to accuse ourselves even when we have turned our backs on you, fascinating ourselves with alien gods whose calling we heed while ignoring your own.

Quickly boasting, slowly accusing, truly we need to repent. O God, forgive, correct, and heal us through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

** Congregation Stands*

*** Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

*** The Gloria Patri and Passing the Peace**

Children's Sermon

Prayers of the People

*** Hymn of Preparation** *#486 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

Scripture and Sermon

Luke 15

The King and His Kingdom: Joyful Repentance

*** Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

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.

Offering and Offertory

*** Affirmation of Faith**

The 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

*** Hymn of Dedication**

#324 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*** Benediction**