

## *Prayer of Preparation*

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty,  
my memory, my understanding,  
and my entire will,  
All I have and call my own.

You have given all to me.  
To you, Lord, I return it.

Everything is yours;  
do with it what you will.

Give me only your  
love and your grace,  
that is enough for me.



~Ignatius of Loyola

## *Welcome!*

**We are grateful that you joined us today.** After worship please join us downstairs for refreshments provided by Arbor Dale's Patience Group. After refreshments there are Sunday School classes for different ages.

**If you have joined us today with children,** there is a nursery available. In addition, there is children's church for ages 3 to 3rd grade. Children leave the service during the Passing of the Peace and return during the Communion Hymn. There are three options during this time: nursery, 3-5 year olds, and up to 3rd grade. There is also a Sunday School for children after refreshments.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Refreshments for next Sunday:** Kindness Group.

**Dinner and Baby Shower 5:30 tonight** for the Wilson family to welcome baby Mary Katherine! Side dishes, desserts and gift cards are welcome!

**World Relief News:** We have until Sept. 30 to gather supplies for the warehouse – emphasis on neutral bedroom curtains. If you would like to shop on Amazon, you can send your contribution directly to BECF at this address: **BECF, 140 Woods Lane, Banner Elk, NC 28604.** We also have the opportunity to go up to High Point to deliver and help in the warehouse on Oct. 1, Nov. 19, and Dec. 10. It is exciting to be part of the Body of Christ in action, serving the refugees, immigrants, and victims of trafficking who are relocating to our part of NC. For more information contact:

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Service for the Lord's Day

September 11, 2022



# GALATIANS

It is for Freedom  
that Christ has set you Free

**GREETING**

Leader: *Christ is risen!*

**All: *He is risen indeed!***

**PRELUDE** *Come to My Senses* (written by Jess Ray)

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP** *Isaiah 12*

\* **HYMN OF PRAISE** *I'll Not Be Shaken* (see insert)

**CALL TO CONFESSION** —from Psalm 32:1-6

*We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. So let us in freedom confess the wrong that we have done.*

\* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.*

\* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** ~Isaiah 53:4-6

*Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his*

*wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

\* **PASSING THE PEACE**

\* **DOXOLGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above the Heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. ~ Amen*

\* **CONFESSION OF FAITH** ~ from Ephesians 2

*We believe that we were dead in our transgressions and sins. All of us were by nature deserving of wrath. But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions — it is by grace that we have been saved.*

*We believe that it is by grace that we have been saved, through faith — and this is not from ourselves, our faith is the gift of God.*

*We believe that we are not saved by works, so that no one can boast.*

*We believe that we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

\* **HYMN OF PREPARATION** #581 - *Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

**SCRIPTURE AND SERMON** *Galatians 3:1-14;  
Cursed to Bless; Blessed to Trust*

\* **COMMUNION HYMN** #460 - *Let Us Break Bread Together*

\* **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Leader: *The Lord be with you.*

**All: *And also with you.***

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

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

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

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

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Leader: *Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.*

**All: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

\* **HYMN OF SENDING** *In Christ Alone*  
(See insert)

\* **BENEDICTION**