26th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM November 17th, 2024

² "There is no one holy like the Lord; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. **1 Samuel 2:2**

Debbe Picerno PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 150)

L: Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens.

P: We come to praise Him for His acts of power, and to celebrate His surpassing greatness!

L: Praise Him with music and song.

P: We will lift our voices, praising Him with joy and thanksgiving!

L: Praise Him; let every voice glorify our God!

P: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER

"To God Be the Glory" *HYMNS No. 56 No. 572 "Blessed Assurance"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, hear our prayer. We have failed, God, to love You as we should. We have failed to love others as we love ourselves. We have chosen wrong when we know what is right. We have rejected Your rule and submitted ourselves to lesser kingdoms. Restore us O Lord and teach us Your way. Give us undivided hearts, that we may fear Your name. Then we will praise You, O God, with all that is in us, and glorify Your name forever. Amen. (Silent Confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

"Gloria Patri" *CONFESSION RESPONSE:

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*OFFERING RESPONSE:

"Doxology"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Philippians 4:8-13

ANTHEM

"His Strength Is Made Perfect"

By: Sarah Tarr

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Judges 7:1-8

SERMON

"Impossible Odds"

Tim Rausch

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*HYMN

"By Faith"

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

*Those who are able please stand.

Ushers: Elders

Greeters: Lori McCann

Welcome Desk: Autumn Moore

Fellowship Hour: Julie & Kay Freehling

Liturgist: Molly Tarr

Childcare: Sara Murtha

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday: 10 AM Worship

11 AM Pack Hang Tough Stockings

Tuesday: 1 PM Quilting

Wednesday: 9 AM Coffee & Conversation

6:30 PM Choir

DISCOVERY LUNCH- Anyone who might be interested in joining the church or just learning more about Meridian, the elders will be hosting a Discovery Lunch following worship on November 24th from 11 AM - 1 PM. Food will be provided. You can sign up at the table or email secretary@meridianpres.org.

HANG TOUGH STOCKINGS- Today is the last day to bring in donations for Hang Tough Stockings. We will be packing stockings today in Fellowship Hall following worship if you are able to stay and help.

DECORATING- Come help the Deacons decorate the church for Christmas on Sunday, November 24th immediately following worship.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE- Nov 17th- Dec 1st we will help restock the local food bank after Thanksgiving. Most needed items include: soups, canned fruit and vegetables, cake mix, gravy mix, pastas, peanut butter, oatmeal, instant mashed potatoes, and spices.

CHRISTMAS DINNER- Save the date for our annual Family Christmas Dinner Sunday, Dec 8th at 5:30 PM followed by a Christmas Concert around 6:15 PM. A sign up sheet is located in the narthex for an approximate head count and side dishes.

CLUB 35-Will be going to Altitude Trampoline Park on Sunday, November 24th at 1 PM. Please see Pastor Mike or Laura to signup.

JESSE TREE EXCHANGE PARTY-We will gather to exchange our ornaments on Sunday, Nov 24th at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Dessert & Hot Chocolate provided. Bring your finished ornaments and make a new friend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL- There will be no children or teen Sunday School today.

Meridian Presbyterian Church

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November 17th, 2024 "Impossible Odds" Tim Rausch