

The Tender Heart of the

Mother

Acts 16:13-15

Sunday, May 13, 2018

On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house." And she persuaded us.

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Greeters:

Richard Klahn
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Phyllis Thompson
Phyllis Miller

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Jen Winter
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The Chancel flowers are Presented by:

Anita & Larry Ewing, in honor of the wedding anniversary of their daughter and son-in-law, Whitney & Andrew Smith
Stephanie Shaw, in memory of Carol Bice Shaw
Walt & Louise Bryde, to the glory of God and in honor of Helen T. Emmitt from her family on Mother's Day

The white roses are to announce the deaths of Jane Longwell on April 30th
and Marion Keyser on May 8th

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes & Welcome

Prelude

Flute Tune

Thomas A. Arne

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Noé Juárez

Leader: A woman of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies.

People: Her family has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. She brings her family good, not harm, all the days of her life.

Leader: She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the most vulnerable.

People: She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.

Leader: She speaks wisdom and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

All: Her children arise and call her blessed; her partner also, and he praises her: Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all., Let us worship God and thank for all the wonderful mothers and woman. Amen.

Introit

Sing to the Lord

Michael Jothen

* Opening Hymn 455

All Creatures of Our God and King

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Merciful God, We thank you for creating each mom and woman with a unique combination of gifts and talents.

We thank you for their dedication, whether it's stay-at-home moms, working moms, and moms who have some combination of the two.

We especially pray for single moms, who must lean solely on you for the parenting of their children.

We also pray for women who never had the opportunity of bearing children, but whose nurturing heart extends to the many in need.

Most of all, Lord, may we love and cherish the special women who have born us, who have nurtured us, and who are praying for us.

Forgive us for disrespecting our mothers and spouses; forgives us for not doing enough to end domestic violence, sexual harassment and sexual abuse.

Help us to honor our mothers and see each woman as a sacred child of you.

May our hearts overflow with gratitude to you, who formed and knitted each of us in a mother's womb.

In the name of Jesus our Lord and savior we pray, Amen.

Baptism of Oliver Oneal Pritchett
Son of Joseph Pritchett & Stephanie Shaw

Rev. Dr. Noé Juárez

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Gloria Patri 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen

Scripture

Acts 16:13-15

Message

“The Tender Heart of the Mother”

Rev. Dr. Noé Juárez

Responding to God’s Word

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Pentecost Offering Video

Presentation of Offering

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Offertory

Alleluia

Randall Thompson

* Doxology 592 (inclusive)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Going in God's Name

Ministry Highlights & Greeting

Rev. Dr. Noé Juárez

Teacher's Appreciation Video

60th Anniversary Video

- * Closing Hymn (STF) 2051 *I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*
- * Benediction and Congregational Response

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings; I see glory in each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

Postlude

Toccata in Seven

John Rutter

MUSIC: HIGHLAND CHILDREN'S CHOIR, KELLY KNOUSE, DIRECTOR; HIGHLAND CHANCEL CHOIR,
KEVIN L. ESTES, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC & ORGANIST
A/V: JONATHAN LEFEVER

* PLEASE STAND IF ABLE



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