



Traditional Service Bulletin



Acts 20: 13-31 ONE
SERVICE SUNDAY "Jim
Glatz retirement"

July 17, 2022

The Mission

Prelude

Festive Prelude on "Nicea" by Westenkeuhler
Organ

Celebration of Community

- For visitors and members, we have QR codes that will take you directly to our visitor information, online bulletin, upcoming events/news and giving page. Just open your camera and scan the QR code, no app necessary. There are also paper visitor forms if you would like to fill those in and drop them off in the baskets as you leave the service.

- Today, a Retirement Reception for Pastor Jim will follow the Worship Service in the Gym. Please join us!
- Children's Worship will be on hiatus for the summer. Praise Packs will be offered to assist your child with the transition into service. Located on the back pews of the Sanctuary and at the doors to the Light House Auditorium.
- Migrant Ministry will serve our Community on Tuesdays through August 2. This Ministry Team will help set up, serve and clean up after each event. Contact Pete at missions@saxegotha.org.
- Join us for Drive Thru Prayer this Tuesday, July 19 from 7:15 - 8:15 am in the Saxe Gotha Parking Lot.
- We are looking for friendly, outgoing people to work in the Lighthouse Café! Youth are encouraged to help as proceeds from the Café help fund youth missions, but at least one volunteer must be over the age of 21. Sign up today at: saxegotha.org/news.

Minute For Missions

We Gather to Worship

Music of Preparation

"As the Deer Panteth for the Water, So My Soul Longeth After Thee with 'The Swan' by Saint-Seans"... arr. McKechnie

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 96:1-4

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

People: For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

***Opening Hymn**

#401 The Church's One Foundation

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Lord, you come to us, but we do not recognize you; you call, but we do not follow; you command, but we do not obey, you bless us, but we do not thank you.

People: Please forgive us and help us.

Leader: Lord, you accept us, but we do not accept others; you forgive us, but we do not forgive those who wrong us; you love us, but we do not love our neighbors.

People: Please forgive us and help us.

Leader: Lord, you showed us how to carry out your mission, but we still insist on our own; you identified yourself with outcasts, the needy, and the poor, but we do not bother to find out what is happening to them; you suffered and died for the sake of all, but we do not give up our comfortable lives.

People: Please forgive us and help us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Moment of Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

2 Corinthians 5:17-19

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:

19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

***Affirmation of Faith**

From the Lausanne Covenant

We affirm our belief in the one-eternal God, Creator and Lord of the world, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who governs all things according to the purpose of his will. He has been calling out from the world a people for himself, and sending his people back into the world to be his servants and his witnesses, for the extension of his kingdom, the building up of Christ's body, and the glory of his name. We confess with shame that we have often denied our calling and failed in our mission, by becoming conformed to the world or by withdrawing from it. Yet we rejoice that even when borne by earthen vessels the gospel is still a precious treasure. To the task of making that treasure known in the power of the Holy Spirit we desire to dedicate ourselves anew.

***Gloria Patri**

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Children's Message (Video)

***Passing of the Peace**

Offertory Prayer

Anthem

"Be Thou My Vision" arr. Mark Hayes - Sanctuary Choir

Sacrament of Baptism

Blue "Haven" Carpenter, daughter of Caroline Carpenter, and Dawson Ray Carpenter, son of Caroline Carpenter.

"Come to the Water"

Congregational Response, Organ and Piano

We Hear God's Word

Bumper Video

Message

"Continue the Mission" Acts 20:13-31 Jim Glatz

Special Announcements:

Baptisms: Bleu "Haven" Carpenter born December 16, 2018, daughter of Caroline Carpenter, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism today at the 10:00 am service by Pastor Jim.

"Dawson" Ray Carpenter born May 19, 2020, son of Caroline Carpenter, will also receive the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, today at the 10:00 am service by Pastor Jim.

Flowers: The flowers that will grace the Sanctuary this Sunday are given to the Glory of God by Beverly Mixson and Pansy Floyd in honor of Pastor Jim Glatz's service to Saxe Gotha.

Pastor Jim's Retirement Reception will be held in the Gym following the Worship Service.

Recognition of the ministry of Dr. Jim Glatz

Patrick:

Our church family is ever-changing.
Loved ones come and go in our church family.
It is important and right
that we recognize these times of passage,
of endings and beginnings.
Today we celebrate the unique gifts that Jim Glatz
has brought to us as our pastor.

Hear Paul's words written to the Ephesians 4:7-13
Each of us was given grace
according to the measure of Christ's gift.
The gifts he gave were
that some would be apostles, some prophets,
some evangelists, some pastors and teachers,
to equip the saints for the work of ministry,
for building up the body of Christ,
until all of us come to the unity of the faith
and of the knowledge of the Son of God,
to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ

Today, as Jim's time with us comes to close, we say thank you to Jim and Donnelle for the gift of time they so lovingly and humbly invested into our church family.

HH: Let us pray. O God, you have bound us together for a time
as pastor and people to work for your church in this place.
We give you thanks for the ministry we have shared.

People: We give you thanks for your patience with us
despite our blindness and slowness of heart.
We thank you for your forgiveness and mercy when we have failed.

ALL: We especially thank you
for your never-failing presence with us through these years,
and for the deepened knowledge of you and of each other.

HH: We give you thanks
for those who have been joined
to this part of Christ's family through baptism.
We thank you for opening our hearts and minds
again and again to your Word,
and for feeding us abundantly at your table.
We remember those who have gone before
and we look with hope toward those who will come.

ALL: Now, we pray, be with Pastor Jim and with the entire Glatz family,
and with this congregation.
Grant that all of us, by drawing closer to you,
may always be close to each other in the communion of saints.
All this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HH: Unto God's gracious mercy we commit you.
The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you
and give you peace,

both this day and forever. Amen.

Communion [CAIN]

"The Commission" by Cain

Praise Band

Leaders Jason Flores and Lillie Gardner

***Invitation and Choral Benediction**

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***Closing Hymn** [Getty/McCracken]

"Pass the Promise" Words and Music by Kristyn Getty and Sandra McCracken/arr. Ben Shive - Choir with Fiddlers - Jim Graddick and Sarah Wright, Praise Band, Cathy McGill, Chris Lee

Postlude

"'Little' Prelude and Fugue in C" by J. S. Bach

Organ

***Congregation is asked to stand if able.**
