

**THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD  
AT SWIFT CHURCH**

*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

*“The Gift of Love”*

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Chuck Carneal

Leader: Who may abide in the presence of God?

**People: Who may live on God’s holy mountain?**

Leader: All those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

**People: All those who speak truth from their heart.**

**\*HYMN**

“This Is the Day” #590

*(Vs. 1)* This is the day, this is the day

That the Lord has made,  
that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice, we will rejoice  
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day

that the Lord has made.

*(Repeat)*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Silent Prayer*

*“Lead Me, Lord”*

**God of light, we confess that we live in the shadows of hypocrisy and self-righteousness. We honor you with our lips, but we have not served you in our hearts. We are satisfied with human traditions and norms and avoid your liberating truth. We have confused meekness with weakness, holiness with social conformity, and anger with righteousness. Forgive us, we pray. By the power of your word save us from the prison of our conceit so that we may serve you with sincere hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**\*RESPONSE**

“Gloria Patri” #623

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

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING**

Psalm 45:1–2,6–9

**SECOND READING**

James 1:17–27

**RESPONSE**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

“Doers of the Word”  
Rev. Alexandra Hutson

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN**

“It Is Well With My Soul” #493

*(Vs. 1)* When peace like a river attendeth my way,

When sorrows like sea billows roll;

Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,

“It is well, it is well with my soul.”

*(Refrain)* It is well with my soul,

It is well, it is well with my soul.

*(Vs. 2)* Though Satan should buffet, tho’ trials should come,

Let this blessed assurance control,

That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,

And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

*(Refrain)*

*(Vs. 3)* My sin – O, the bliss of this glorious thought,

My sin – not in part but the whole,

Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

*(Refrain)*

*(Vs. 4)* And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,

The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,

“Even so” – it is well with my soul.

*(Refrain)*

**\*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.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

*\*please stand as you are able*

## OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Offertory*

*"I Love You, Lord"*

### \*RESPONSE

*"Doxology" #625*

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

### \*PRAYER AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

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

One: Lift up your hearts.

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

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

### HYMN

*"Give Me Jesus" #443*

Mary McNair and Monica Reilly

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### SENDING

### \*HYMN

*#284*

*"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"*

*(Vs. 1)* We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

*(Refrain)* And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

*(Vs. 2)* We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
*(Refrain)*

*(Vs. 3)* We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride:  
*(Refrain)*

*(Vs. 4)* All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:  
*(Refrain)*

### \*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

### \*CHARGE

Leader: Good people of Swift Church, who are you?

**People: Striving to bring God joy, we proclaim  
Christ's love and grace through serving  
and nurturing body, mind, and soul.**

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

*"The Lily of the Valley"*



Please join us in the  
fellowship hall  
for refreshments immediately  
following worship!

### LEADERSHIP AT SWIFT

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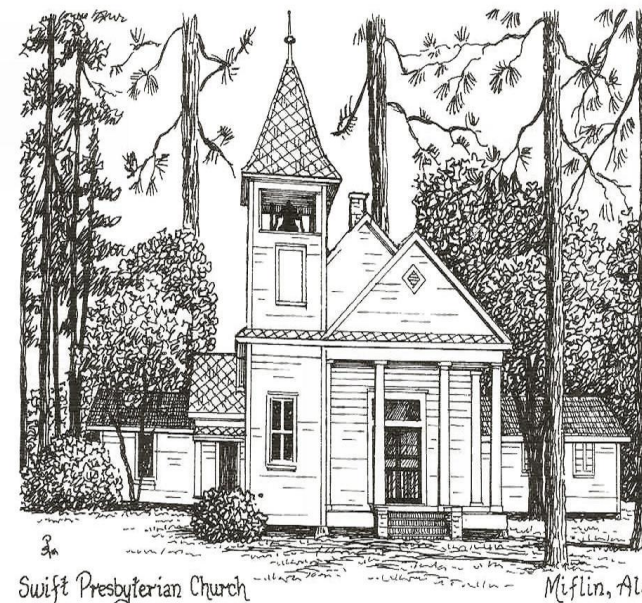
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# Welcome to Swift Church

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Striving to bring God joy!



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