



## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

### LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

#### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 18:1-11(TEV)

The LORD said to me, "Go down to the potter's house, where I will give you my message." So I went there and saw the potter working at his wheel. Whenever a piece of pottery turned out imperfect, he would take the clay and make it into something else. Then the LORD said to me, "Don't I have the right to do with you people of Israel what the potter did with the clay? You are in my hands just like clay in the potter's hands. If at any time I say that I am going to uproot, break down, or destroy any nation or kingdom, but then that nation turns from its evil, I will not do what I said I would. On the other hand, if I say that I am going to plant or build up any nation or kingdom, but then that nation disobeys me and does evil, I will not do what I said I would. Now then, tell the people of Judah and of Jerusalem that I am making plans against them and getting ready to punish them. Tell them to stop living sinful lives--to change their ways and the things they are doing.

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

Bo Lloyd

#### GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 14: 25-33 (TEV)

Once when large crowds of people were going along with Jesus, he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me cannot be my disciple unless he loves me more than he loves his father and his mother, his wife and his children, his brothers and his sisters, and himself as well. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. If one of you is planning to build a tower, he sits down first and figures out what it will cost, to see if he has enough money to finish the job. If he doesn't, he will not be able to finish the tower after laying the foundation; and all who see what happened will make fun of him. 'This man began to build but can't finish the job!' they will say. If a king goes out with ten thousand men to fight another king who comes against him with twenty thousand men, he will sit down first and decide if he is strong enough to face that other king. If he isn't, he will send messengers to meet the other king to ask for terms of peace while he is still a long way off. In the same way, concluded Jesus, "none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up everything he has."

COMMUNION MEDITATION “*Spinning into Form*”  
CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

W. Dale Osborne

Invitation to the Table and Words of Remembrance  
Prayers of Thanksgiving and Blessing  
Sharing the Gift of the Bread  
Sharing the Gift of the Cup

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*AN AFFIRMATION OF INTENTION

*The Binkley Church Covenant*

Professing our faith in Jesus Christ, we covenant with God and one another to live together as members of this church in obedience to God's will as it has been and shall be made known to us. As part of the body of Christ throughout the world, we promise to express our faithfulness to Christ in love for one another and for the whole of God's creation. The Spirit of God assisting us, we further promise to attend the services of this congregation, observe its sacraments, support its mission to all people, practice faithful stewardship of our possessions and be conscientious caretakers of the Earth, endeavoring always to be a fruitful body of Christians.

PRESENTING TO GOD OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

Offertory

**On Eagle's Wing**

Charles Callahan

\*Doxology

*(You are invited to sign the Doxology, to praise God with your body as well as your voice and mind. Please sign along with the leader, or simply sing the Doxology.)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

**Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

ENDING AND BEGINNING OUR SERVICE TO GOD

SHARING THE LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

INVITATION

\*Hymn of Invitation

**Creator God, Creating Still**

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\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Diane Bish

\*Please rise in body or in spirit.

#Those arriving after the Prelude may be seated at these times.

Persons wishing for assistance with hearing during the worship service are encouraged to check out an FM receiver in the Narthex just before service begins.

**The flowers on the communion table today** are given by Stewart Bankhead and Stuart Cantrell to honor the glory of God, to celebrate our 19 years together and our 1<sup>st</sup> month of marriage, and to express our deep appreciation of and gratitude to the Binkley congregation.

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