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**August 18, 2024**

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Guest speakers: Felipe and Valerie Colby**

**His Eyes: Reaching Honduras for Christ**

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Open My Eyes, That I May See* Benjamin Watkins, piano

Call to Worship (Psalm 146:5-10)

Liturgist: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,

**People: who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;**

Liturgist: who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free;

**People: the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

Liturgist: The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**People: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!**

\*Opening Hymn: Morning Has Broken #469

Passing the Peace

Let us welcome one another just as Christ has welcomed us. Let us share the peace of Christ with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Music for Meditation *His Eye Is on the Sparrow* Benjamin Watkins, piano

Call to Confession

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin

## Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11: 1-6

Mission Update

His Eyes

Felipe and Valerie Colby

*His Eyes was created to serve God and serve Hondurans in and around Tegucigalpa, Honduras. The ministries of His Eyes bring spiritual and physical healing. His Eyes started in medical work and has expanded to Church plants, clothing outreach, scholarships, children's ministry, short term mission teams, farming, and producing coffee. All of these ministries have the common goal of reaching more people for Christ, in Honduras and around the world. We are called to not see the world as WE see it, but to use HIS Eyes to see what He (Christ) would have us see.*

\*Hymn: Here I Am, Lord #525

\*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. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and 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.**

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn: In Christ There Is No East or West #439

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude *All Things Bright and Beautiful* Benjamin Watkins, piano

\*please stand if you are able

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You are invited to a lunch after worship for a chance to visit with the Colbys.

**UPC Prayer List**—email requests to [upcbloomington@gmail.com](mailto:upcbloomington@gmail.com)

Allen Pease Kathleen Olds Anita Steverson Roby Lorimer

His Eyes Mission in Honduras led by Valerie and Felipe Colby

Nyaka AIDS Orphans' Project in Uganda led by Jackson Kaguri

The people of Nigeria, Georgia, Ukraine, and the Middle East

Our military men and women around the world

Monroe County United Ministries

**Mount Lebanon Presbyterian, Henryville**

Mt. Lebanon Presbyterian is located near Henryville, IN. The church has been in existence since the mid-1800's and in our building since 1872. We have a small, active congregation and are a member of the Southern Hills Parish. We are hosting a Hymn Sing and Ice Cream Social on Aug. 11 at 4:00. We invite all to join us!