

**Order of Worship, First Presbyterian Church**

Sunday, September 12, 2021

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**Announcements**

**Prelude**

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

*arr. Jackson*

**For Prayer and Reflection:**

*Lord, we have come this day to hear your words of healing love and hope. Enter our hearts and our spirits and teach us to follow you. Give us courage and strength to be your faithful disciples. Amen.*

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 19:1-4,14

Look at the heavens!

**They are shouting the glory of God.**

The days and the nights declare the magnificence of God’s creative works.

**Their voice goes through all the earth and their words reach the ends of the world.**

Let our words of praise be acceptable to you.

**Our Lord, our rock, our redeemer!**

**Opening Prayer**

**\*Song of Praise**

“Your Presence Is Heaven”

*Houghton/Massey*

Who is like You Lord in all the earth  
Matchless love and beauty endless worth  
For nothing in this world can satisfy  
Jesus You're the cup that won't run dry

Your presence is heaven to me  
Your presence is heaven to me

Treasure of my heart and of my soul  
In my weakness You are merciful  
Redeemer of my past and present wrong  
Holder of my future days to come

Oh Jesus oh Jesus  
Your presence is heaven to me  
Oh Jesus oh Jesus  
Your presence is heaven to me

All my days on earth I will await  
The moment that I see You face to face  
For nothing in this world can satisfy  
Jesus You're the cup that won't run dry

Your presence is heaven to me  
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## *Call to Confession*

### *Prayer of Confession*

Lord, it is easy for us to say that we will follow you and then turn our backs and act as though our commitment to you does not mean anything to us. Jesus challenges us to take up our crosses and when we don't understand what that means, we just shrug and turn away. Forgive us for our lack of commitment and faith. Heal us of our greed and fears. Give us courage to be disciples and enable us to joyfully proclaim your healing mercies and your transformational love. In Jesus' name, we pray.

*Silent Confession* (Here let each worshiper offer silent, personal prayers of confession)

### *Declaration of Forgiveness*

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven  
and freed to try again.

\**Gloria Patri* (#734)

"Glory Be to the Father"

*Greatorex*

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.

### *Children's Message*

#### *Special Music*

"Liebesleid"

*Kreisler*

#### *Prayer for Illumination*

#### *Scripture Reading*

Mark 8:27-38

p. 1566

#### *Sermon*

"Asking the Questions: Who do you say I am?"

#### \**Hymn of Response #350*

"The Summons" vv. 1,2,4

*Kelvingrove*

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,

Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?

Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

#### \**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.

*Joys and Concerns*

*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.*

*The Offering*

*Offertory*

“O Jesus I Have Promised”

*arr. Scott*

*\*Doxology #34*

*\*Prayer of Dedication*

*\*Sending Hymn #593*

“Lord, Speak to Me”

*Canonbury*

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak  
In living echoes of your tone;  
As you have sought, so let me seek  
Your wandering children, lost, alone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead  
The stumbling and the straying feet;  
And feed me, Lord, that I may feed  
Your hungry ones with manna sweet.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach  
The precious things which you impart;  
And wing my words, that they may reach  
The hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with your fullness, Lord,  
Until my heart shall overflow  
In kindling thought and glowing word,  
Your love to tell, your praise to show.

*\*Benediction*

*\*Postlude*

“Postlude”

*L. Smith*

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

*Leaders in worship:*

Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells

Liturgist: Hannah Eby

Music Director & pianist: Kristen Eby

Special Music Director: Jill Klinebriel

Special Music: Emily Ott

Musicians: John Eby, Linda Longfield, Emily Ott

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