

# **Order of Worship, First Presbyterian Church**

Sunday, May 31, 2020

Day of Pentecost

## **Announcements**

Rev. Bradley Longfield

## **Prelude**

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*arr. Pethel*

## **For Prayer and Reflection:**

Zephaniah 3:17, NIV

Sisters and brothers in Christ, be comforted by and challenged to accept God’s welcoming embrace this morning. *The LORD your God is with you, God is mighty to save. God will take great delight in you, God will quiet you with love, God will rejoice over you with singing.*

## **Call to Worship**

This is the place, O God, and this is the time!

**Here and now you wait to break into our experience!**

O God, who created us in love,

**create us anew in love as we worship you.**

O Jesus Christ, who redeemed this world in love,

**reclaim our hearts as we worship you.**

O Holy Spirit, who moves this world toward its God-appointed end,  
move within us as we worship you.

## **Opening Prayer**

## **\*Hymn of Praise**

Hymn #358

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

*Beecher*

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;  
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find that promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;  
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Forgive us, O God, when something we have done or left undone or said or left unsaid causes harm or hurt to another. Forgive our carelessness with our words and our inattention to our actions. Have mercy on us when we blame others instead of taking responsibility for our own actions. Give us your grace when we do not stand up and speak out for those who have no voice. Help us to become thoughtful, loving people, intent on living the way you have called us to live and serving the way you have called us to serve.**

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

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

**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. (May

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Scripture Reading**

1 John 4:7-12

**Special Music**

“You Are Precious, Lord, To Me”

*Nolan/Stevens*

**Second Scripture Reading**

Ruth 4:1-17

**Sermon**

“Redemptive Love”

**Hymn of Response #117**

“There Is a Redeemer”

*Green*

There is a redeemer Jesus, God's own Son;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Refrain: Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain (Refrain)

When I stand in Glory, I will see his face;  
There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. (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. Amen.**

**Joys and Concerns**

**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, for ever. Amen*

**Sending Hymn #437**

“Jesus Loves Me”

*Jesus Loves Me*

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so!  
Little ones to him belong: they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me, he who died heaven's gate to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. (Refrain)

Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way;  
He's prepared a home for me, and some day his face I'll see. (Refrain)

***Benediction***

***Postlude***

“See How Great a Flame Aspires”

*arr. Paxton*

***Reminder:***

***There is a called Congregational Meeting via Zoom at 11:30am.  
Please log on a little early in case Zoom needs to install an update.***

***Leaders in worship:***

Liturgist: Mark Ward

Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells

Music Director: Kristen Eby

Vocalist: Jill Klinebriel

Musicians: Alex Eby, John Eby, Linda Longfield

***Lectionary Reading for June 7***

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

*Psalm 8*

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

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