

Order of Worship, First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 9, 2020
10th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements

Rev. Stephanie Ells

Prelude

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Parry

For Prayer and Reflection:

May the Holy Spirit move our souls closer to the Divine as we worship; indwelling our hearts and our minds to see the Living God at work among us, encouraging, challenging, uplifting, and inspiring, as we each have need.

Unison Call to Worship

based on Psalm 105

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

Remember the wonderful works he has done,

Praise the Lord!

Opening Prayer

***Song of Praise**

“Still”

Morgan

Hide me now, under your wings,
Cover me within your mighty hand.

Refrain: When the oceans rise and thunders roar,
I will soar with you above the storm.
Father, you are King over the flood.
I will be still and know you are God.

Find rest my soul, in Christ alone,
Know His pow'r in quietness and trust. (refrain)

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy and gracious God, at times we feel so frail and fragile, getting blown about by the latest crisis, by bad news, by our own short tempers and failings. You call us to hold fast to what is good, but so often we flounder, unable to find that solid thing that will center us again. Help us, we pray. Help us to see you as our center, and to cling to the good that you create in the world. Help us to set aside all our jealousies and prejudices, all of our betrayals and lies, all that adds to the world's hurt. Help us to grow even more into Christ's likeness, that we will bear his love and truth to the world.

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

Declaration of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri #734

“Glory Be to the Father”

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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.

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Special Music

Adagio Movement from “Violin Sonata No. 3”
Alex Eby, violin

Handel

Second Scripture Reading

Romans 10:5-17

Sermon

Hymn of Response #397

“The Gift of Love”

Gift of Love

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.

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

“May the Peoples Praise You”

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You have called us out of darkest night,
Into Your glorious light,
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ.

May our ev’ry breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy,
With endless life

Chorus: May the peoples praise You,
Let the nations be glad!
All Your blessing comes
That we may praise,
May praise the Name of Jesus.

All the earth is Yours and all within,
Each harvest is Your own,
And from Your hand we give to You,
To make Christ known.

May the seeds of mercy grow in us
For those who have not heard,
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread Your Word. (Chorus)

Benediction

Postlude

“The Church’s One Foundation”

arr. Krug

Leaders in worship:

Liturgist: Terri Gronau
Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells
Pianist: Jill Klinebriel
Musicians: Alex Eby, John Eby, Linda Longfield
Technical Directors: Bryan and Sara Blair

Lectionary Reading for August 16

Genesis 45:1-15
Psalm 133
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28

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