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# Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

July 8, 2018

## The Bell Calls Us to Worship

### Prelude

Larghetto

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

The congregation stands to sing

**Processional Hymn 489** Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty Unser Herrscher

### Opening Sentences

**Pastor:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People:** **The Maker of heaven and earth.**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

**Prayer for the Day** (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen**.)

God of the covenant, in our baptism you called us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us courage as you gave the apostles that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation sits.

### Prayer of Confession

Unison

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you**

**in thought, word and deed,**

**by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humble repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy on us and forgive us,**

**that we may delight in your will**

**and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your name ...**

### Silent Prayers of Confession

### Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 179** God Is My Strong Salvation Christus, Der Ist Mein Leben

**Pastor:** The peace of Christ be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Passing of the Peace** (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

**Welcome and Announcements**

The children come to the Baptismal Font for a

**Time with Young Christians**

**Old Testament**

2 Samuel 5:1-10

**Psalm 48**

Unison

**Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.**

God's holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,  
Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

Within its citadels God has shown himself a sure defense.

Then the kings assembled; they came on together.

As soon as they saw it, they were astounded.

They were in panic; they took to flight.

Trembling took hold of them there, pains as of a woman in labor,

as when an east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.

As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts,

in the city of our God, which God establishes forever.

We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.

Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.

Your right hand is filled with victory.

Let Mount Zion be glad,

let the towns of Judah rejoice because of your judgments.

Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers,

consider well its ramparts; go through its citadels,

that you may tell the next generation

that this is God, our God forever and ever.

God will be our guide forever.

**Anthem** Lord Jesus, Think On Me

Jay Althouse, 1984

Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin;

from earthborn passions set me free and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me with care and woe oppressed;

let me Thy loving servant be and taste Thy promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me amid the battle's strife; in all my misery be Thou my health and life.

Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray;

through darkness and perplexity point Thou the heav'nly way.

Lord Jesus, think on me that when the flood is past,

I may eternal brightness see and share Thy joy at last.

(-- Bishop Synesius, 375-430, tr. A.W. Chatfield)

**Epistle**

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

**Gospel**

Mark 6:1-13

**Sermon**

Traveling Light

Mike Krech

"He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money  
in their belts."

Mark 6:8

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 420** God of Grace and God of Glory Cwm Rhondda

**Apostles' Creed** Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional

**Gloria Patri 579** Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

**Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication**

**The Lord's Prayer** (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

**Offertory Sentence**

**Offertory** Christus Der ist Mein Leben (God Is My Strong Salvation)

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

The congregation stands to sing the

**Doxology 592**

Old Hundredth

**Benediction**

**Recessional Hymn 418** God Bless Your Church with Strength Diademata

**Postlude** March Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)

**Welcome to worship** at Grace Presbyterian Church.

We are in the season of Sundays after Trinity Sunday, also called Ordinary Time.

Our Gospel readings from now until Advent begins on December 2 come mostly from Mark.

The Old Testament readings from Samuel and Kings follow the life of David.

The Epistle readings come from Paul's letters to the Corinthians, and later, Ephesians.

The liturgical color is green, emblematic of the growth in faith these lessons want us to achieve.

(JMK)