

CHURCH SESSION

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Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

August 8, 2021

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in A Minor J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Ellacombe

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**.)

Grant, O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfillment of all our need and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread, which you have given us in Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and 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 humbly 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 356 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Nettleton

Pastor: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Passing of the Peace

(Worshippers safely greet one another with the peace of Christ and then sit for the announcements.)

Welcome, Announcements, and a Word to Children

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament 1 Kings 19:1-8

Psalms 34:1-8 Unison

I will bless the Lord at all times;

God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God's name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to God and be radiant;

so your faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord

and was saved from every trouble.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,
and delivers them.

O taste and see that the Lord is good;

happy are those who take refuge in him.

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 453 O Holy City, Seen of John Morning Song

The congregation sits.

Gospel

John 6:35,41-51

Epistle

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Sermon

The Great Ends of the Church, 5:
The Promotion of Social Righteousness

Mike Krech

“Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them work honestly with their hands, so as to have something to share with the needy.”
Ephesians 4:28

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 415 Come, Labor On Ora Labora

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 On Turtle Dove Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

Benediction

Hymn 361 How Firm a Foundation Foundation

Worshippers are encouraged to be seated for the postlude,
or you may depart the sanctuary quickly and quietly now if you need to.

Postlude For All the Saints (Sine Nomine)/Theme from Symphony No. 1, Part 4
By Johannes Brahms; arr. Susan Caudill

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

Today is the fifth in a six-part sermon series on The Great Ends of the Church, a summary of the primary purposes (ends) of the church, found in our Presbyterian Book of Order. Others in the series:

July 11 Ephesians 1:3-14: The Proclamation of the Gospel for the Salvation of Humankind

July 18 Ephesians 2:11-22: The Shelter, Nurture, and Spiritual Fellowship of the Children of God

July 25 Ephesians 3:14-21: The Maintenance of Divine Worship

August 1 Ephesians 4:1-16: The Preservation of the Truth

August 15 Ephesians 5:15-20: **The Exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the World** (JMK)

Hymn Texts for Online Worship

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty power of God That made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad And built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained The sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command, And all the stars obey.
I sing the goodness of the Lord That filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with a word And then pronounced them good.
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, Where'er I turn my eyes;
If I survey the ground I tread, Or gaze upon the skies!
There's not a plant or flower below But makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise and tempests blow By order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee Is ever in Thy care,
And everywhere that we can be, Thou, God, art present there.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1715, alt.;

Tune ELLACOMBE;

Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Wirtebergischen Katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784; alt. 1868

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love!
Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.
O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

Text: Robert Robinson, c. 1758

Tune: NETTLETON; Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813

O Holy City, Seen of John

O holy city, seen of John, Where Christ the Lamb does reign,
Within whose four-square walls shall come No night, nor need, nor pain.
And where the tears are wiped from eyes That shall not weep again!

O shame to us who rest content While lust and greed for gain
In street and shop and tenement Wring gold from human pain,
And bitter lips in blind despair Cry, "Christ has died in vain."

Give us, O God, the strength to build The city that has stood
Too long a dream, whose laws are love, Whose ways are servanthood,
And where the sun that shines becomes God's grace for human good.

Already in the mind of God That city rises fair.

Lo, how its splendor challenges The souls that greatly dare,
And bids us seize the whole of life And build its glory there.

Text: Walter Russell Bowie, 1909; alt.

Tune: MORNING SONG; Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813;

Harm. C. Winifred Douglas, 1940

Come, Labor On

Come, labor on. Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain
While all around us waves the golden grain?

And to each servant does the Master say, "Go work today."

Come, labor on. Claim the high calling angels cannot share;
To young and old the gospel gladness bear.

Redeem the time; its hours too swiftly fly, The night draws nigh.

Come, labor on. Away with gloomy doubts and faithless fear!

No arm so weak but may do service here.

Though feeble agents, may we all fulfill God's righteous will.

Come, labor on. No time for rest, till glows the western sky,

Till the long shadows o'er our pathway lie,

And a glad sound comes with the setting sun, "Well done, well done!"

Text: Jane Laurie Borthwick, 1859; rev. 1863, alt.;

Tune: ORA LABORA; Thomas Tertius Noble, 1918

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said that to you God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid.
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply.
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to its foes.
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Text: "K" in *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787; Ed. John Rippon; alt.

Tune: FOUNDATION; American folk melody; Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832