

## CHURCH SESSION

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## Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

**August 1, 2021**

**Ninth Sunday after Trinity**

### The Bell Calls Us to Worship

#### Prelude

Crown Him with Many Crowns George J. Elvey, 1868  
arr. Anna Laura Page

The congregation stands to sing

#### Hymn 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Lobe Den Herren

#### 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**.)

O God, giver of life and health, your Son Jesus Christ has called us to hunger and thirst to see right prevail. Refresh us with your grace that we may not be weary in well-doing; for the sake of him who meets all our needs, 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 244** Let Us with a Gladsome Mind Monkland

**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

Exodus 16:2-4,9-15

#### Psalm 78:18-29

Unison

They tested God in their heart by demanding the food they craved.

They spoke against God, saying,

“Can God spread a table in the wilderness?

Even though he struck the rock so that water gushed out  
and torrents overflowed,

can he also give bread or provide meat for his people?”

Therefore, when the Lord heard, he was full of rage.

A fire was kindled against Jacob, his anger mounted against Israel  
because they had no faith in God and trusted not his saving power.

Yet he commanded the skies above and opened the doors of heaven;

He rained down on them manna to eat, giving them the grain of heaven.

Mortals ate the bread of angels; he sent them food in abundance.

He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens,

And by his power he led out the south wind.

He rained flesh upon them like dust,

winged birds like the sand of the seas;

He let them fall within their camp and all around their dwellings.

And they ate and were well filled, for he gave them what they craved.

### Musical Meditation Blessed Be the Name/O for a Thousand Tongues

Traditional/ Music by Carl Glazer; arr. Stan Pethel

Rickie Cooke, Baritone Horn; Susan Steppe, Organ

## Gospel

John 6:24-35

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 345** Dear Lord and Father of Mankind Rest

The congregation sits.

## Epistle

Ephesians 4:1-16

## Sermon

The Great Ends of the Church, 4: Mike Krech

The Preservation of the Truth

“We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ.” Ephesians 4:14-15

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 392** Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord Hall

**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** Simple Gifts arr. Wilbur Held

The congregation stands to sing the

**Doxology 592** Old Hundredth

## Benediction

**Hymn 281** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Cwm Rhondda

Worshippers are encouraged to be seated for the postlude,

or you may depart the sanctuary quickly and quietly now if you need to.

**Postlude** I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (St. Thomas) arr. Gayden C. Sikes

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

Today is the fourth 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 8 Ephesians 4:25-5:2: **The Promotion of Social Righteousness**

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

## Hymn Texts for Online Worship

### **Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty**

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near;  
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen How thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen Sound from His people again;  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1680; Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.  
Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN; Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665;  
Harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

### **Let Us with a Gladsome Mind**

Let us with a gladsome mind Praise the Lord who is so kind:  
For God's mercies shall endure, Ever faithful, ever sure.

God, with all-commanding might, Filled the new-made world with light:  
For God's mercies shall endure, Ever faithful, ever sure.

All things living God does feed, With full measure meets their need:  
For God's mercies shall endure, Ever faithful, ever sure.

Let us with a gladsome mind Praise the Lord who is so kind:  
For God's mercies shall endure, Ever faithful, ever sure.

Text: John Milton, 1623, alt;

Tune: MONKLAND;

Freylinghausen's *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; Arr. John B. Wilkes, 1861

### **Dear Lord and Father of Mankind**

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, Forgive our foolish ways;  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind, In purer lives Thy service find,  
In deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord, Let us, like them, without a word,  
Rise up and follow Thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above,  
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee the silence of eternity,  
Interpreted by love!

Drop Thy still dews of quietness, Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls The strain and stress, And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.

Text: John Greenleaf Whittier, 1872;

Tune: REST; Frederick Charles Maker, 1887

### **Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord**

Take Thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray;  
Give us the mind of Christ each passing day;  
Teach us to know the truth that sets us free;  
Grant us in all our thoughts to honor Thee.

Take Thou our hearts, O Christ, they are Thine own;  
Come Thou within our souls and claim Thy throne;  
Help us to shed abroad Thy deathless love;  
Use us to make the earth like heaven above.

Take Thou our wills, Most High! Hold Thou full sway;  
Have in our inmost souls Thy perfect way;  
Guard Thou each sacred hour from selfish ease;  
Guide Thou our ordered lives as Thou dost please.

Take Thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will;  
Through our surrendered souls Thy plans fulfill.  
We yield ourselves to Thee – time, talent, all;  
We hear, and henceforth heed, Thy sovereign call.

Text: William H. Foulkes, st. 1-3, 1918; st. 4, c. 1920

Tune: HALL; Calvin Weiss Laufer, 1918

## **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land:  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through;  
Strong deliverer, Strong deliverer, Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee.

Text: William Williams, 1745; st.1, trans. Peter Williams, 1771;  
st.2-3, trans. William Williams, 1772;

Tune: CWM RHONDDA; John Hughes, 1907