

CHURCH SESSION

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Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

June 26, 2022

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude Lord, Here Am I John Ness Beck; arr. Anna Laura Page

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 210 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past St. Anne

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.**)

Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may fix our eyes on him and steadfastly follow in the paths of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being,

whose face is hidden from us by our sins,

and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:

Cleanse us from all our offenses,

and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,

that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you,

confessing our faults, confiding in your grace,

and finding in you our refuge and strength;

through Jesus Christ your Son. ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness Faithfulness

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 and Announcements

The children bring their ringing offering and come to the **Baptismal Font for a**

Time for Young Christians

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament 2 Kings 2:1-14

Psalms 77:1-2,11-20 Unison

I cry aloud to God, aloud to God, that he may hear me.

In the day of my trouble, I seek the Lord;
in the night I stretch out my hand toward God.

I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord;

I will remember your wonders of old.

I will meditate on all your work and contemplate your mighty deeds.

Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so great as our God?
You are the God who works wonders,
displaying your might among the peoples.

With your strong arm you redeemed your people,
the descendants of Jacob and Joseph.

When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you,
they were afraid; the very deep trembled.

The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered;
your arrows flashed on every side.

The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

Your way was through the sea, your path through the mighty waters;
yet your footprints were unseen.

You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Epistle Galatians 5:1,13-25

Anthem The Summons Kelvingrove, Scottish melody

Will you come and follow Me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let My love be shown, will you let My name be known? Will you let My life be grown in you and you in Me? Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let Me answer prayer in you and you in Me? Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen and admit to what I mean in you and you in Me? Will you love the self you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in Me? Lord, Your summons echoes true when You but call my name. Let me turn and follow You and never be the same. In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in You and You in me.
(-- John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987)

Gospel Luke 9:51-62

Sermon Fit for the Kingdom Mike Krech

"No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God." Lk.9:62

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 357 O Master. Let Me Walk with Thee Maryton

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 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

Benediction

Hymn 415 Come, Labor On Ora Labora

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

Postlude To God Be the Glory William Howard Doane, 1875;
arr. Don Hustad

Hymn Texts for Online Worship

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received its frame,
From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home.

Text: Psalm 90:1-5; Isaac Watts, 1719; alt;

Tune: ST. ANNE; attr. William Croft, 1708

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

Text: Thomas Obediah Chisholm, 1923;

Tune: FAITHFULNESS; William Marion Runyan, 1923

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

O Master, let me walk with Thee In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me Thy secret; help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.
Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay, And guide them in the homeward way.
Teach me Thy patience, still with Thee In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs over wrong.
In hope that sends a shining ray Far down the future's broadening way;
In peace that only Thou canst give, With Thee, O Master, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1879;

Tune: MARYTON; Henry Percy Smith, 1874

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