

CHURCH SESSION

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Worships God in Word and Sacrament

August 2, 2020

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

How Great Thou Art Swedish folk song
Rickie Cooke, baritone horn arr. Arthur Frackenpohl

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 163

Lord, Our Lord, Thy Glorious Name
Gott Sei Dank Durch Alle Welt

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**.)
Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**
The congregation sits.

Prayer of Confession

Unison

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father.

In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone.

And so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 333

Seek Ye First

Lafferty

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

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament

Genesis 32:22-31

Psalms 17:1-7,15

Unison

Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry.

Give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.

If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me,

you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress.

As for what others do, by the word of your lips

I have avoided the ways of the violent.

My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.

I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;

incline your ear to me; hear my words.

Wondrously show your steadfast love,

O Savior of those who seek refuge from their adversaries

at your right hand.

As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness;

when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

Epistle

Romans 9:1-5

Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon

The Abundance of God's Grace Dr. LindaJo McKim

"They need not go away; you give them something to eat." Matthew 14:16

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 420

God of Grace and God of Glory Cwm Rhondda

Nicene Creed

Unison; Hymnal, page 15, Ecumenical

Gloria Patri 579

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Beach Spring *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

Arr. Wilbur Held

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592

Old Hundredth

The congregation sits.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Please observe social distancing as you come to the Communion table.

Carefully take a piece of bread, and a small cup.

Eat and drink while at the table and place the empty cup in the basket provided.

All Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion Unison

O God, you have so greatly loved us,

long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us.

Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves,

our wills and our works, a continual thank-offering to you;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

The congregation stands to sing the

Hymn 298

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

In Babilone

The congregation sits for the

Postlude

O Zion, Haste

arr. Dick Torrans

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

Sincere thanks to **Dr. LindaJo McKim** for leading worship, preaching,

and celebrating the Lord's Supper, as Mike is holding the funeral for **Sandy Bane**.

We are in the season of Sundays after Trinity Sunday, also called Ordinary Time. The Old Testament readings are from Genesis, the Epistle from Romans, the Gospel from Matthew.

Hymn Texts for Online Worship

Lord, Our Lord, Thy Glorious Name

Lord, our Lord, Thy glorious name All Thy wondrous works proclaim;
In the heavens with radiant signs Evermore Thy glory shines.

Infant lips Thou dost ordain Wrath and vengeance to restrain;
Weakest means fulfill Thy will, Mighty enemies to still.

Moon and stars in shining height Nightly tell their Maker's might;
Human strength cannot compare With the glory present there.

What are we that we should be Loved and visited by Thee,
Raised to an exalted height, Crowned with honor in Thy sight?

With dominion crowned we stand, O'er the creatures of Thy hand,
All to us subjection yield In the sea and air and field.

Lord, our Lord, Thy glorious name All Thy wondrous works proclaim;
Thine the name of matchless worth, Excellent in all the earth.

Text: *The Psalter*, 1912; As in *Rejoice in the Lord*, 1985;

Tune: GOTT SEI DANK DURCH ALLE WELT;

Freylinghausen's *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; alt.

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Text: Karen Lafferty (b.1948)

Tune: LAFFERTY; Karen Lafferty (b. 1948)

God of Grace and God of Glory

God of grace and God of glory, On Thy people pour Thy power;
Crown Thine ancient church's story; Brings its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us Scorn Thy Christ, assail Thy ways!
From the fears that long have bound us Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the living of these days.

Cure Thy children's warring madness, Bend our pride to Thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places; Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces, Pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, That we fail not them nor Thee!

Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Thy salvation Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Serving Thee whom we adore.

(Text: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; alt.;
Tune: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1907)

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice, Which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment given.
For the love of God is broader Than the measures of the mind;
And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful, We would gladly trust God's Word;
And our lives reflect thanksgiving For the goodness of the Lord.

Text: Frederick William Faber, 1854; alt.
Tune: IN BABILONE; Dutch melody; Arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)