

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

June 27, 2021

9:00 and 10:15 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

Self-service assistive listening devices are located on top of the bookcase at the rear of the Sanctuary on the Princess Anne St. side.

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude *Plein jeu from Magnificat du 2e Ton* Michel Corrette

The Welcome and Announcements

The Call To Worship Nick Medina

Grace, mercy and peace to you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ...

I wait for the Lord.

My soul waits, and in God's Word I hope.

My soul waits for the Lord more than those Who watch for the morning.

More than those who watch for the morning.

In faith, let us turn to our God, Whose love is sure.

Let us worship God!

The Prayer of Adoration

O God of all creation, the earth is Yours and the fullness thereof. You touch the leaves with the dew of the morning; You send the breezes to cool the night. The trees are laden with fruit because of Your blessing; fields produce crops because of Your care. As You watch over Your people and fill all their needs, now send forth Your Spirit and be present among us. We lift up our heads and give You praise in Christ's Name. Alleluia! Amen.

*The Hymn 39

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, and 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*

*The Prayer of Confession

You shower us with blessings, with chances to know Your grace. Still, O Lord, we twist Your promises to pray for blessings we can own. You call us to leave our selfish ways and follow Your call to compassion. Still, O Lord, we choose shallow belief over transformative faith. You have told us that Your love is enough, that the waters of mercy will not run dry. Still, O Lord, we choose fear instead of trust, hiding behind the illusion that we can survive on our own. Forgive us, Holy One, and by Your forgiveness, offer us a chance to try again ...(time for silent confession)...

*The Assurance of Pardon

If the Lord kept count of all our sins, who could stand?

But with God there is forgiveness;

Christ gives us peace; in him we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Gloria Patri (spoken)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen.**

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

(Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ. For those worshipping at home, please share Christ's peace with someone outside Your home this week.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: *2 Samuel 1:1,17-27*

The Anthem

I am Bound for the Kingdom
Darak Hollis, virtual choir project editor

Lloyd Larson, arr.

The Epistle Lesson: *2 Corinthians 8:7-15*

A Moment With the Children

The Gospel Lesson: Mark 5:21-43

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

"Over-reaching"
Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD. . .

*The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD'S NAME. . .

The Hymn 320

The Church of Christ in Every Age

*The church of Christ in every age, beset by change but Spirit led,
must claim and test its heritage and keep on rising from the dead.*

*Across the world, across the street, the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat, and never live before they die.*

*Then let the servant church arise, a caring church that longs to be
a partner in Christ's sacrifice, and clothed in Christ's humanity.*

*For Christ alone, whose blood was shed, can cure the fever in our blood,
and teach us how to share and bread and feed the starving multitude.*

*We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord:
to care for all without reserve, and spread Christ's liberating word.*

The Charge & Benediction

The Postlude

Grand jeu from Magnificat du 2e Ton

Michel Corrette