

Grace Presbyterian Church

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

Psalm 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.

CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2020

Rosemary Gordon
Brooks Keiser
Elizabeth Velazquez

Class of 2021

Rickie Cooke
Anna Tate
Janet Vawter

Class of 2022

Kevin Bopp
Bob Gammon
Emily Mayne

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Clerk: Elizabeth Velazquez
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