

Service for the Lord's Day

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost - August 16, 2020
Half Past Ten o'clock in the Morning



WE GATHER TOGETHER TO WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Fantasia Sonata No. 2 – Adagio espressivo

Joseph Rheinberger

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 86:1-2, 11-12

Common English Bible

Lord, listen closely to me and answer me,
because I am poor and in need.
Guard my life because I am faithful.
Save your servant who trusts in you—you! My God!

Teach me your way, Lord,
so that I can walk in your truth.
Make my heart focused
only on honoring your name.

I give thanks to you, my Lord, my God,
with all my heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.

*I bind unto myself today
the strong name of the Trinity
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One and One in Three.*

*I bind this day to me forever,
by power of faith, Christ's incarnation,
his baptism in the Jordan river,
his death on cross for my salvation,
his bursting from the spiced tomb,
his riding up the heavenly way,
his coming at the day of doom,
I bind unto myself today.*

*I bind unto myself today
the virtues of the starlit heaven,
the glorious sun's life-giving ray,
the whiteness of the moon at even,
the flashing of the lightning free,
the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
the stable earth, the deep salt sea
around the old eternal rocks.*

*I bind unto myself today
the power of God to hold and lead,
God's eye to watch, God's might to stay,
God's ear to hearken to my need,
the wisdom of my God to teach,
God's hand to guide, God's shield to ward,
the word of God to give me speech,
God's heavenly host to be my guard.*

*Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

*I bind unto myself the name,
the strong name of the Trinity
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One and One in Three,
of whom all nature has creation,
eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
Praise to the Lord of my salvation;
salvation is of Christ the Lord!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We want to be where you are, Jesus.

But we also want to be safe, and comfortable, and right.

We want to be where you are.

But we also want to be with our friends, and to be respected by others.

We want to be where you are.

But we also don't want to make anyone else uncomfortable.

We want to be where you are.

But we also aren't sure the time is right.

We want to be where you are.

But we also see the storm raging, and, well....

We want to be where you are, Jesus.

Today, make that our overriding desire, and give us courage to step out where you are.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN

Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

*Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth
saying, "Christian, follow me."*

*Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more."*

*In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."*

*Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thy obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON | Matthew 14:22-23

The Message Translation

As soon as the meal was finished, he insisted that the disciples get in the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he dismissed the people. With the crowd dispersed, he climbed the mountain so he could be by himself and pray. He stayed there alone, late into the night. Meanwhile, the boat was far out to sea when the wind came up against them and they were battered by the waves. At about four o'clock in the morning, Jesus came toward them walking on the water. They were scared out of their wits. "A ghost!" they said, crying out in terror. But Jesus was quick to comfort them. "Courage, it's me. Don't be afraid." Peter, suddenly bold, said, "Master, if it's really you, call me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come ahead." Jumping out of the boat, Peter walked on the water to Jesus. But when he looked down at the waves churning beneath his feet, he lost his nerve and started to sink. He cried, "Master, save me!" Jesus didn't hesitate. He reached down and grabbed his hand. Then he said, "Faint-heart, what got into you?" The two of them climbed into the boat, and the wind died down. The disciples in the boat, having watched the whole thing, worshiped Jesus, saying, "This is it! You are God's Son for sure!"

MESSAGE

Jesus Doesn't Hesitate

Rev. Dr. Dawn M. Haeger

WE RESPOND TO WHAT WE HAVE HEARD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Confession of 1967

9.21 The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for all people when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to [humanity], moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

9.23 The new life does not release [God's people] from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, fear. [Humanity continues to] struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, as [one] matures in love and faithfulness in life with Christ, [one] lives in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.

MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OUR LORD'S PRAYER *(Collectively)*

**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.**

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OFFERTORY

Intermezzo in A Major, Op. 118, No. 2

Johannes Brahms

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN

May the God of Hope Go with Us

ARGENTINA

*May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.*

INVITATION AND BENEDICTION

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Bell Symphony

Henry Purcell

Assisting in the leadership of worship are
Rev. Bob Scott, Senior Pastor; Rev. Dr. Dawn M. Haeger, Associate Pastor;
Don Golliher, Liturgist;
Timothy Belk, Director of Music Ministries.

Choristers

Beth Daniels, Soprano	Keith McMullen, Tenor
Rebecca Futral-Anderson, Soprano	Kevin Nickorick, Tenor
Krysten Richards, Alto	Chris Lewis, Bass

The Chancel flowers are presented to the Glory of God
by Martha Espey in honor of her husband, John,
who celebrates his 82nd birthday on August 18.

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