



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

August 22, 2021

11:00am

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord

We Gather as God's People

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

Jesus Loves the Little Children

(Arr. Chima Enwere)

Chima Enwere, piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Isaiah 42

Paul Gares, liturgist

Thus says God, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread forth the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:

"I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to graven images.

Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them." Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise from the end of the earth!

*HYMN #450

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

CALL TO CONFESSION

By faith in Jesus Christ, we are given access to the grace of God. Standing in that grace, we now confess our sins before God, seeking forgiveness and peace. (Romans 5: 1-2)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, we confess that too often we desire what is not your will. We are so focused on our own agendas and wants that we fail to consider your purposes or the needs of our neighbors. We fear failure and cling to unquestioned habits. Open our eyes to a vision of your kingdom and open our hearts to pursue your intentions for our lives. Show us the paths you would have us travel. Illuminate the gifts you have entrusted to our care to be used for all people. Hear now our silent individual confessions.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, we are standing in the grace of Christ. Because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, we are set free to love God and neighbor, and to work for the reconciliation of the world. (Romans 5)

Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS Amazing Grace Hymn #649

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come. 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

We Share God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10: 46-52

SERMON

"What do we want Jesus to do for us?"

Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

We Respond to God's Word

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Blind Man Stood On the Road and Cried
Peggy Vaughan, soprano

arr. H. T. Burleigh

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 resurrection of the
body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory

God is So Good
Chima Enwere, piano

(Arr. Chima Enwere)

*Doxology No. 606

*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR 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

We Go Forth As God's People

*HYMN #305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy

Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O Church, in song! For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme, empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Let courage be our friend; let wisdom be our guide, as we in mission magnify the Crucified! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the Love of the Lord

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May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.
May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.
May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.

POSTLUDE

Crown Him with Many Crowns
Chima Enwere, piano

(Arr. Jerry Ray)

*You are invited to stand.

Worship Leadership Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher Paul Gares, Liturgist
Peggy Vaughan, Music Director and Soloist Chima Enwere, piano Ron Skinner, audio and video
Ushers: Logan, Janet and Richard Johnson Worship Ministry Team Chair, Joanne Lang

We are delighted to welcome Chima Enwere as our guest pianist today. An alumnus of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke (UNCP), Chima graduated with the Bachelor of Arts in Music with Music Industry Emphasis degree. He also holds a certificate in entrepreneurship as part of his undergraduate studies. Chima is Director of Music Together of Fayetteville, an early childhood music and movement program for children from birth through age eight—and the grownups who love them!

WORSHIP NOTES Based on new CDC data and the dramatic rise in COVID 19 infection rate in our county and state, we are now **requiring** that all people wear masks during worship. Masks will be available at the welcome table. We are also delaying the re-opening/re-start of other activities for the time being and we will re-evaluate during our September Session meeting.