



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

July 3, 2022

11:00 AM

Fourth 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

This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

Bagatelle Op 5, No 6

Alexander Tcherepnin

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 84, selected verses

Joanne Lang, liturgist

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!

**Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may have her young – a place near your altar, my God and my King.**

Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage.

**Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper
in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. Lord Almighty, blessed is the one
who trusts in you.**

*HYMN #338

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

CALL TO CONFESSION

Already assured that forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which clings so closely, that we might receive mercy and transform our lives. (Hebrews 12:1)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy God, you lavish us with good gifts, yet we persist in seeking after that which robs us of abundant life. You challenge us to live in community, but we insist on going our own way in pursuit of selfish advantages. We hold fast to our anxieties and succumb to our greed. Forgive us. Turn us around and sustain us by the strength of your Holy Spirit. Hear now our silent individual confessions.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If God is for us, who is against us? In Jesus Christ we have been set free to live as God intends. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace. (Romans 8: 31)

RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS #417 Lord Jesus, Think on Me

(This is one of the oldest hymns in our hymnbook, dating in the original Greek to around the 5th century.)

Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin. From earthborn passions set me free, and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray. Through darkness and perplexity point thou the heavenly way.

We Share God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 19

SERMON

"A Still, Small Voice"

Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

We Respond to God's Word

SPECIAL MUSIC

Bagatelle Op 126, No 4

Ludwig van Beethoven

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.

Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

THE OFFERING

Offertory

Bagatelle Op 126, No 4

Ludwig van Beethoven

*Hymn of Dedication #606

Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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 #339**

Lift Every Voice and Sing

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #549**

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

Bagatelle Op 5, No 1

Alexander Tcherepnin

(The congregation is invited to sit in quiet reflection until after the postlude.)

***You are invited to stand.**

Worship Leadership Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher Joanne Lang, Liturgist

John Holter, piano Audio/video: John Daugherty, Chris Dennis Ushers: Janet Johnson, Richard Johnson

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