



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

June 13, 2021

11:00am

Third Sunday of 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

Faith of Our Fathers
Peace Handbell Quartet

Henri Hemy (arr. Larry Sue)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 96, selected verses

Ann Barnhill, liturgist

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.

*HYMN #51

To Abraham and Sarah

Tune: *The Church's One Foundation* (#321, Aurelia)

To Abraham and Sarah the call of God was clear: "Go forth and I will show you a country rich and fair. You need not fear the journey, for I have pledged my word that you shall be my people and I will be your God."

From Abraham and Sarah arose a pilgrim race, dependent for their journey on God's abundant grace; and in their heart was written by God this saving word, "That you shall be my people and I will be your God."

We of this generation on whom God's hand is laid can journey to the future secure and unafraid, rejoicing in God's goodness and trusting in this word, "That you shall be my people and I will be your God."

CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sins, that grace might bridge, and we might cross, the great chasm between what God intends for all of creation and the reality we experience.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we calculate our gains and our losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life and trying to control instead of allowing your Spirit to guide us. We lack a vision of your infinite possibilities for new life. We lack courage to take the first step on a journey to which you call us. We are reluctant to let go of old behaviors and familiar routines. Help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give. Hear now our silent individual confessions.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers in Christ, your sins are forgiven. Therefore, be at peace to follow the road set before you and know that the Lord always journeys with us.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Kinderszenen Op 15, No 7. Träumerei (Dreaming)

Robert Schumann

We Share God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12: 1-9 and Genesis 15: 1-6

SERMON

"Look toward heaven and count the stars." Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

We Respond to God's Word

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SOLO

If I Planted a Garden
Peggy Vaughan, soprano

Sally DeFord

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 #463

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul,
though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake.

*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

Matrosenlied (Sailor's Song) from Op 68 Lyric Pieces

Edvard Grieg

*You are invited to stand.

Worship Leadership Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher Ann Barnhill, Liturgist
Peace Handbell Quartet Peggy Vaughan, Music Director & Soloist John Holter, piano
Ron Skinner, audio & video Ushers: Tom Lee, Richard Johnson, Logan Johnson
Joanne Lang, Worship Ministry Team Chair

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