

WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

Pacific Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church of Union, Missouri

13th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

GATHERING

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Triumph and tragedy...and back to the mountaintop again. Life never stands still, and neither does the Spirit of God.

All: So we bring our cares and woes with us as we gather as God's people, prepared to receive God's truth and to take that truth out into the world.

One: Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN "Give to the Winds Thy Fears" GtG 815**

1. **Give to the winds thy fears;
hope, and be undismayed.
God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears;
God shall lift up thy head.**

2. **Through waves and clouds and storms
God gently clears thy way.
Wait patiently; so shall this night
soon end in joyous day.**

3. **Leave to God's sovereign sway
to choose and to command.
So shalt thou, wondering, own God's way,
how wise, how strong God's hand!**

4. **Let us in life, in death,
thy steadfast truth declare,
and publish with our final breath
thy love and guardian care.**

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***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy One, God Most High,

grant us faith to confess our sins
and seek your mercy.
There are barren places in our lives
where we have wandered far from you.
We have listened to voices
who distracted us from your call.
We have submitted to powers
competing for our loyalty to you.
We have not taken the hand you offer
to lead us out of godforsakenness,
and into your holy ways.
God our Savior, forgive us.
Quench our thirst for you
from the Rock of our salvation,
and let your love well up in us
unto eternal life.
Speak tenderly to us of your presence.
Feed us with your word.
Deliver us from evil.
Let us enter into your kingdom;
then send us out to serve you
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

***SILENT CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(from Psalm 51)*

One: The prayer of the psalmist is our prayer:
All: **"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit."**
One: The good news that the psalmist proclaims and that we know in Jesus Christ is that our God is a God of grace, quick to forgive and ready to recreate in us a heart of remembrance and a spirit of trust. So let us hear and believe that good news once again.
All: **For by the grace of God we are loved and accepted, forgiven and restored through Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!**

***THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

(From your seat, a brief sign of peace may be shared: a wave of the hand, a nod of the head, etc.)

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING I Kings 19:1-19a

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON by Pastor Bill Vincent

***HYMN** "If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee" GtG 816

1. **If thou but trust in God to guide thee,
with hopeful heart through all thy ways,
God will give strength, whate'er betide thee,
to bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love
builds on the rock that nought can move.**

2. **Only be still, and wait God's leisure
in cheerful hope, with heart content
to take whate'er thy Keeper's pleasure
and all-discerning love hath sent.
No doubt our inmost wants are clear
to One who holds us always dear.**

3. **Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways,
but do thine own part faithfully.
Trust the rich promises of grace;
so shall they be fulfilled in thee.
God never yet forsook at need
the soul secured by trust indeed.**

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**In life and in 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.**

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

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,**

**even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

(from *A Brief Statement of Faith*, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Book of Confessions)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor: God, in your mercy...
People: ...hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Contemporary*)

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

OFFERING

Invitation

Reflection

**Unison Prayer of Dedication*

**With our gifts, O God,
we remember with thanksgiving
the life that we have because of you.
Make us grateful every day
for the privilege of offering ourselves
for the well-being of all your world. Amen.**

SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN** "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" GtG 169 (*Verses 1, 4, and 5*)

**1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.**

4. **Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.**

5. **Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm!**

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***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Pastor: ...And let the gathered people of God say...

People: ...Amen.

POSTLUDE

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