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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Celebration of Worship
Sunday, June 28, 2020
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Words of Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Pat Youngdahl

Chime

Introit

How Beautiful Are the Feet

G.F. Handel

*"How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace
and bring glad tidings of good things!*

Their sound is gone out into all lands, unto the ends of the world."

Kearstin Piper-Brown, soprano

*Call to Worship Genesis 1:1-5

One: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

Many: The earth was without form, and void, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

One: Then God said, "Let there be light;" and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.

Many: God called the light Day, and the darkness, God called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

*Hymn 554

Let All Things Now Living

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1. Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God our creator triumphantly raise.
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
By guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night.
Till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished
As forward we travel from light into light.

2. By law God enforces, the stars in their courses
the sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise:
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!

Text: Katherine K. Davis, alt.

*Centering Prayer (unison)

Compassionate God, greet us with your grace this day. Awaken within us a quiet spirit, alive with the comfort of your presence. Today we would be quiet enough to hear your voice. Today we would be still enough to feel your touch. Help us to find that place where we can receive as well as give, reflect as well as act, and listen as well as speak. In all these ways, may we each become ready to let our light shine, that we may be part of your peace and justice unfolding in the world. Amen.

First Reading

“Book of Genesis”

Kei Miller

Music for Reflection

Go Down Moses

Negro Spiritual

Arr. Florence Beatrice Price

*“Refrain: Go down, Moses, ‘way down in Egypt land,
Tell ole Pharoah to let my people go.*

*When Israel was in Egypt land, “Let my people go.”
Oppressed so hard they could not stand “Let my people go!”*

*O let us all from bondage flee “Let my people go.”
And Let us all in Christ be free “Let my people go!” Refrain.”*

2nd verse from Jubilee Songs (Fisk University), 1872

Second Reading

Matthew 10:40-42

Meditation

Rev. Youngdahl

Music for Reflection

How Great Thou Art

Swedish folk melody

Arr. Sandi Patty

*“O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all, all of the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed.*

*Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
“How great Thou art. How great Thou art!”*

*And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent him to earth, I scarce can take it in.
He heals our hearts, our burdens gladly bearing,
And lights our souls by heavenly fire within.*

*When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim,
“My God, how great Thou art!” (Refrain)”*

Text: Trans. Stuart K. Hine, alt. Pat Youngdahl, 2006

Prayers of Healing and Transformation

Prayer of Jesus

**Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit 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 Spirit, and the
power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Benediction

Benediction Response

This Little Light of Mine

Negro Spiritual

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