



DOWNTOWN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"A CLASHING OF VALUES"

Celebration of Worship

Sunday, August, 15, 2021

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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Prelude

The Rainbow Connection
Miles Warren, violin

Paul Williams
and Kenneth Ascher

Words of Welcome

Rev. Tiberi

Chime

Introit

Lead Me, Guide Me
Please join in the refrain:
"Lead me, guide me, along the way.
For if you lead me, I will not stray.
Oh, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Jesus, lead me."

Doris Akers
Arr. Richard Smallwood

*Call to Worship

Mary Rees

We gather at the bold and bright sounds of instrument and voice.

We come to worship the God of all creation.

We gather amidst the greetings of friends and of strangers.

We come to worship the God who makes us all one in the sharing of our faith.

We gather in the solitude of reflection and the quiet of prayer.

We come to worship the God who speaks to us.

Let us worship God.

*Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth
Music may be found on page 8.

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Invitation to the Offering †

Offertory Music

Guide My Feet

Negro Spiritual
Arr. Jacqueline B. Hairston

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Let songs rise up from earth below;
Let stars and galaxies enthrone;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One! Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Holy God,
you call us to be made holy,
to be made in your image.
We trust in your generosity,
and so are free to be generous ourselves,
opening our hearts and our wallets freely,
giving to the work of your church in our world.
Bless these gifts and us to your service,
for we ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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.

*Hymn

Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing
Music may be found on page 10.

SICILIAN MARINERS

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Menuet

J.S. Bach

Bourée

G.F. Handel

Miles Warren and Lee Wright, violins

Passing of the Peace

Thank you to. . .

Liturgist: Mary Rees

Musicians: Kearstin Piper Brown, Miles Warren, and Lee Wright

†You may give your offering
in the offering plates near the front of the sanctuary after worship
or
by mailing a check to: 121 N. Fitzhugh St, 14614

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WELCOME to everyone who is visiting this morning!
We are happy that you are here and invite you to come again.

We seek to use diverse images and liberating language about divine presence in our services of worship. Please feel free to adapt the words in hymns and prayers as needed so that they express your faith.

This is a Hearing Loop equipped sanctuary – please switch your hearing aid to the “T” (telephone) position.

We give thanks for the flowers...

 From the garden of Jim and Becky Parks.

This Week at Downtown Church

<u>Sunday, August 15</u> 10:45 Nursery Care 11:00 Worship – Rev. Laurie Tiberi	<u>Sunday, August 22</u> 10:45 Nursery Care 11:00 Worship – Rev. Laurie Tiberi
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For the Beauty of the Earth 14

1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the glo-ry of the skies,
 2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
 4 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
 5 For thy-self, best gift di-vine to the world so free-ly given;

for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies:
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as

cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling

joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
 pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
 in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

This hymn of corporate benediction is one of several using the same first line. It was written by a Baptist pastor who dedicated his entire ministry to a small church in rural Yorkshire. The tune used here was first transcribed from Sicilian sailors in the late 18th century.

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