

First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Online Worship Seventh Sunday after Pentecost – July 19, 2020

PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

We have come to worship the living God,

who knit us together when we were yet unnamed,

We have come to worship the almighty God,

who searches us and knows our hearts, and still loves us completely.

We have come to worship the eternal God,

who seeks us wherever we are and shepherds us with a guiding hand.

HYMN #14

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

1 For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Refrain:

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

2 For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light: (Refrain)

- 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: (Refrain)
- 4 For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: (Refrain)
- 5 For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given; for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: (Refrain)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O Lord, you have searched us and known us.
You know when we cultivate kindness
and our lives bear fruit that blesses the world.
You know, too, when our words sow seeds of discord
and our actions choke out generosity and grace.
When we produce more weed that wheat, forgive us.
As we wait with eager longing for your reign to be revealed in our midst,
plant within us gifts of love and mercy,
so that we might live as children of the kingdom
and bear fruit that enriches your harvest.
(silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE #582

"Glory to God"

- 1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
- 2 World without end, without end. Amen.World without end, without end. Amen.World without end, without end. Amen.As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 8

- 1 O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.
- ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.
- 3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;
- 4 what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?
- 5 Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.
- 6 You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet,
- 7 all sheep and oxen,
 - and also the beasts of the field,
- 8 the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- 9 O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

RESPONSE #613

"How Majestic is Your Name"

- O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
- O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
- O Lord, we praise your name. O Lord, we magnify your name:

Prince of Peace, mighty God; O Lord God Almighty.

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 25:31-40

31 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33 and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 34 Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? 38 And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39 And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' 40 And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

SERMON

"I Am Number 26"

The Rev. Carol Divens Roth

HYMN #186

"Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table"

- 1 "Come now, you blessed, eat at my table," said Jesus Christ to the righteous above."When I was hungry, thirsty, and homeless, sick and in prison, you showed me your love."
- 2 When did we see you hungry or thirsty? When were you homeless, a stranger alone? When did we see you sick or in prison? What have we done that you call us your own?
- 3 "When you gave bread to earth's hungry children, when you gave shelter to war's refugees, when you remembered those most forgotten, you cared for me in the smallest of these."
- 4 Christ, when we see you out on life's roadways, looking to us in the faces of need, then may we know you, welcome, and show you love that is faithful in word and in deed.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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.

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

HYMN #852

"When the Lord Redeems the Very Least"

1 When the Lord redeems the very least, we will rejoice.

When the hungry gather for the feast, we will rejoice.

Refrain:

We will rejoice with gladness.

We will rejoice.

All our days we'll sing to God in praise.

We will rejoice!

2 When the Lord restores the sick and weak, we will rejoice.

When the earth is given to the meek, we will rejoice. (Refrain)

3 When the Lord revives the world from death, we will rejoice.

When the word of God fills every breath, we will rejoice. (Refrain)

4 When the Lord returns in victory, we will rejoice.
When we live in glorious liberty,

we will rejoice. (Refrain)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Participants in this worship service:

The Rev. Carol Divens Roth, guest pastor | **Shaun Cloonan**, minister of music **Sunny Sakai**, pianist | **Elder John Foster**, videographer

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Believing we are called together by God's love through Jesus Christ, our mission as the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood is to love God, to love each other, and to love our neighbors.

