

# Order of Worship - June 28, 2020

Peace Together

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:7

**Liturgist:** Gwynne Mesimer **Special Music** by Jim Wingate

# Music as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

# Welcome

# Call to Worship

Please join me in the Call to Worship. I'll begin, and you join in with the words on the screen.

Break open our hearts this morning to hear your word, O God. Let our fears be vanquished, our spirits restored!

Come and let us worship with great joy! Let us drop the things of the past that weighed us down!

God is about to do something new in our lives! Let God's will become strong in our lives. Amen.

<b>Opening hymn</b>	"Great is Thy Faithfulness"	tune: FAITHFULNESS
	Glory to God #39, verses 1 and 3	

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee.

Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

#### **Call to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

God our redeemer, we may have a hard time living and working together peacefully in these days. We rely on our own initiative and independence and ideas. We do not listen well.

Forgive us for our self-reliance, Lord. Remind us that we were created to praise you, to depend upon you, to honor you. Shape us, God of peace, and make us whole. Amen.

#### **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Beloved, I declare to you in the name of Christ, our sins are forgiven. Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, ...think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in Christ, and the God of peace will be with you. Amen.

#### First Reading - Psalm 86:1-10

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.
You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David:
'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations.'"

Happy are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O LORD, in the light of your countenance; they exult in your name all day long, and extol your righteousness.For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted.For our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

#### **Special Music**

"Morning Has Broken" by Jim Wingate on piano

#### **Children's Sermon**

### Second Reading - Philippians 4: 1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Meditation

#### Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

(First, an invitation into silence, when you may speak aloud the concerns of your heart.)

Lord, hear our prayers.

Christ, be beside me; Christ be before me; Christ, be behind me; Lord of my heart. Christ be within me; Christ be below me; Christ be above me; never to part.

Christ on my right hand; Christ on my left hand; Christ all around me; shield in the strife. Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, Light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me; Christ be on all tongues telling of me. Christ be the vision in eyes that see me; in ears that hear me Christ ever be.

Now we pray together the prayer Jesus taught us, saying... 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.

#### Offering

# **Closing hymn** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" tune: I'M GONNA LIVE *Glory to God #700, verses 1, 3, and 4*

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

# Benediction

#### **Doxology** -

(Vocals by Allison Kelly and Ellette Burke, cello effect on synthesizer by Jim Wingate)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.