

**3rd Sunday After Pentecost
June 26, 2022 Worship Bulletin**

Gathering for God's Word

Prelude

*Introit

#319, "Shout to the North"

Men of faith rise up and sing
Of the great and glorious King
You are strong when you feel weak
In your brokenness complete

Chorus:

Shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Rise up women of the truth
Stand and sing to broken hearts
Who can know the healing power
Of our awesome King of love

Rise up church with broken wings
Fill this place with songs again
Of our God who reigns on high
By God's grace again we'll fly

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Passing the Peace of Christ

Welcome & Announcements

Time of Silence & Ringing of the Bell

Preparing for God's Word

*Call to Worship

[based on Psalm 18: 1-2, 27-30, 46]

Leader: Lord you are our strength, our solid rock, our fortress, our rescuer.

People: Our God is our rock— we can take refuge in him!— he's our shield, our salvation's strength, our place of safety.

Leader: Lord, you are the one who saves people who suffer and brings down those with proud eyes.

People: You are the one who lights our lamp— the Lord our God illuminates us in the darkness. With him we can charge into battle; with our God we can leap over any hurdle.

Leader: God's way is perfect; the Lord's word is tried and true. He is a shield for all who take refuge in him.

People: The Lord lives! Bless God, our rock! Let the God of our salvation be lifted high!

*Hymn of Praise

#353, "My Hope is built on Nothing Less"

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand:
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide his face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, his covenant, his blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found:
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

Text: Edward Mote, c. 1834, alt.
Music: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1863, alt
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Prayer of Confession

[time for individual prayers of silent confession]

All: Holy Lord, God of life, hear our prayer. Forgive us of all the times we follow paths that do not lead to life in you; paths that instead lead to selfishness, hate, complacency, or fear. Paths that make it easy for us. Paths that don't follow your narrow way. Forgive us when we forget that you offer us life; life that is abundant and eternal, life that began at the creation of all things. Forgive us and turn us to the right path. Let your love and grace flow over us and the world. We pray in Jesus 'name and for his sake. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

[based on Revelation 5:5, 9-10]

Leader: Hear the Good News. God tells us not to weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed.

People: With his blood he has purchased people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

Leader: He has made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.

People: Thanks be to God!

Hearing God's Word

Children's Message

Ages 12 and under gather up front as congregation sings, #188, "Jesus Loves Me."
After the Children's Message, the children may return to sit with their families.

Hymn of Preparation

#626, "As the Deer"

As the deer pants for the water
So my soul longs after you
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship you

You alone are my strength, my shield
To you alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my hearts desire
And I long to worship you

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Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 8:1-22

8:1 When Samuel grew old, he appointed his sons as judges for Israel. 2 The name of his firstborn was Joel and the name of his second was Abijah, and they served at Beersheba. 3 But his sons did not walk in his ways. They turned aside after dishonest gain and accepted bribes and perverted justice.

4 So all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah. 5 They said to him, “You are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways; now appoint a king to lead us, such as all the other nations have.”

6 But when they said, “Give us a king to lead us,” this displeased Samuel; so he prayed to the LORD. 7 And the LORD told him: “Listen to all that the people are saying to you; it is not you they have rejected, but they have rejected me as their king. 8 As they have done from the day I brought them up out of Egypt until this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are doing to you. 9 Now listen to them; but warn them solemnly and let them know what the king who will reign over them will do.”

10 Samuel told all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. 11 He said, “This is what the king who will reign over you will do: He will take your sons and make them serve with his chariots and horses, and they will run in front of his chariots. 12 Some he will assign to be commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and others to plow his ground and reap his harvest, and still others to make weapons of war and equipment for his chariots. 13 He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. 14 He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive groves and give them to his attendants. 15 He will take a tenth of your grain and of your vintage and give it to his officials and attendants. 16 Your menservants and maidservants and the best of your cattle and donkeys he will take for his own use. 17 He will take a tenth of your flocks, and you yourselves will become his slaves. 18 When that day comes, you will cry out for relief from the king you have chosen, and the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

19 But the people refused to listen to Samuel. “No!” they said. “We want a king over us. 20 Then we will be like all the other nations, with a king to lead us and to go out before us and fight our battles.”

21 When Samuel heard all that the people said, he repeated it before the LORD. 22 The LORD answered, “Listen to them and give them a king.”

Then Samuel said to the men of Israel, “Everyone go back to his town.”

Sermon

“Samuel’s True Grit... To Everything Turn, Turn, Turn”

Responding to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith

[based on Colossians 1: 15-20]

Leader: What do we believe about who Jesus is?

All: Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Offering

Offertory

Choral Anthem: "Have a Little Talk with Jesus," Jehovah Shalom Acapella

*Response

#606, The Doxology, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

Text: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709

Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551

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*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

[various prayers]

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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. 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.

***Hymn of Response**

#134, "Joy to the World"

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.

Music: Attr. George Frederick Handel, 1742; arr. Lowell Mason, 1836

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***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

#2037, "I Sing Praises to Your Name," Sing the Faith Hymnal

I sing praises to Your Name, O Lord,

Praises to Your Name, O Lord,
For Your Name is great and greatly to be praised.
I sing praises to Your Name, O Lord,
Praises to Your Name, O Lord,
For Your Name is great and greatly to be praised.

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*Postlude

*Please Stand if Able