

# Midweek Worship Bulletin May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## **Call to Worship**

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Jesus calls us saying, "I am the Way and the Truth, and the Life. None come to the Father except through me. We will seek the Lord, and open our hearts to what Jesus will speak to us. We have gathered to worship and to learn what God will speak to us.

## **Hymn: The Presbyterian Hymnal #220 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (Psalm 100)**

All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.  
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell;  
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed;  
Without our aid He did us make;  
We are His folk, He doth us feed,  
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise;  
Approach with joy His courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good;  
His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.

*TEXT: William Kethe, 1560*

*MUSIC (OLD HUNDREDETH, LM): Attr. Louis Bourgeois, 1551*

## **Prayer of Adoration**

## **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious and Loving Lord Jesus, you know so well that our words do not align with our actions. We like to believe that we are faithful and dedicated to your instruction to show love and compassion. But we avoid noticing the hunger of our brothers and sisters, we turn our eyes away from injustice, and we fear what your call to hospitality might demand of us. Forgive us for our selfishness and reignite within our hearts the joy of following you. Humbly we acknowledge our sins and your forgiveness. Amen.

## **Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness**

Do not fear, you are loved by God and forgiven by Jesus our Lord and Savior. Have faith and trust that your salvation is made sure through the love and grace of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

## **The Presbyterian Hymnal #579 "Gloria Patri"**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

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*Glory Be to the Father*

*TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)*

### **Scripture: Psalm 100**

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into his presence with singing.

<sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord is God.  
It is he that made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise.  
Give thanks to him, bless his name.

<sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good;  
his steadfast love endures for ever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

### **Matthew 20:17-28**

<sup>17</sup> While Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside by themselves, and said to them on the way, <sup>18</sup>'See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death; <sup>19</sup>then they will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified; and on the third day he will be raised.'

<sup>20</sup> Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favor of him. <sup>21</sup>And he said to her, 'What do you want?' She said to him, 'Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.' <sup>22</sup>But Jesus answered, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?' They said to him, 'We are able.' <sup>23</sup>He said to them, 'You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.'

<sup>24</sup> When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. <sup>25</sup>But Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>26</sup>It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, <sup>27</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; <sup>28</sup>just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

**Message:** "Are We Prepared to Drink of the Cup?"

**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.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### **Sending: The Presbyterian Hymnal #268 "God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens"**

God, who stretched the  
spangled heavens  
infinite in time and place,  
flung the suns in burning radiance  
through the silent fields of space,  
We, your children in your likeness,  
share inventive powers with you.  
Great Creator, still creating,  
show us what we yet may do.

We have ventured worlds undreamed of  
since the childhood of our race;  
known the ecstasy of winging  
though untraveled realms of space;  
Probed the secrets of the atom,  
yielding unimagined power,  
facing us with life's destruction  
or our most triumphant hour.

As each far horizon beckons,  
may it challenge us anew,  
children of creative purpose,  
serving others, honoring you.  
May our dreams prove rich  
with promise,  
each endeavor well begun.  
Great Creator, give us guidance  
till our goals and yours are one.

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### **Benediction**

**Liturgist: Carol Wetzel**

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