

Let Us Worship God!

June 16, 2024–10:30 AM Fourth Sunday After Pentecost



A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online Today's worship team—Music Director:Jayne McDonough: Worship Leader:Beverly Mate; Message: Pastor David Wenker; Production: Norris Clark



WELCOME!

WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today.

WORSHIP PREVIEW

Pastor Dave's message today is "Clay in the Potters Hand". Happy Father's to all the Father's and Father figures!

MUSIC PREVIEW

The gathering hymn, *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy*. This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988-1989 observance, which had the theme "Celebrate the Journey." The late 18th-century time (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.

Spirit of the living God, is the hymn of meditation following the message. Written in 1926, both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1-6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Fla. where the song was first sung.

The closing hymn, *Faith of Our Fathers*, is a Catholic hymn, written in 1849 by Frederick William Faber in memory of the Catholic Martyrs from the time of the establishment of the Church of England by Henry VIII and Elizabeth. Faber wrote two versions of the hymn: one with seven stanzas for Ireland, and another with four for England. In order to make the hymn more acceptable to a wider non-Catholic constituency, some alterations were necessary.

PRELUDE: JAYNE MCDONOUGH WELCOME: PASTOR DAVID WENKER God Welcomes All (sing in unison):



Be involved in doing good, for at the proper time good things will result if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9



God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

(10:30)

CALL TO WORSHIP - (RESPONSIVE) PSALM 37

One: Delight yourself in the lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Many: Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him.

OPENING PRAYER - (UNISON)

(ADAPTED FROM PSALM 8)

O Lord, Our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise. When we consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what are we that you are mindful of us? O Lord, Our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! Amen

*OPENING HYMN: COME SING, O CHURCH, IN JOY, BLUE HYMNAL #430

1. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church in song! For Christ the Lord has led us Through the ages long! In bold accord, Come celebrate the journey now And praise the Lord!

2. Long years have come and gone, And still God reigns supreme,
Empowering us to catch the vision,
Dream the dream!
In bold accord,
Come celebrate the journey now
And praise the Lord!

3. Let courage be our friend, Let wisdom be our guide, As we in mission Magnify the Crucified! In bold accord, Come celebrate the journey now And praise the Lord!

4. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song! For Christ the Lord has triumphed O'er the ages long! In bold accord, Come celebrate the journey now And praise the Lord!

CALL TO RECONCILIATION - BEV MATE

God gathers and prepares us for worship. Let us confess the sins that detract and distract us from God's path.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

We confess we sometimes harden our hearts toward other people who are in need. We admit we rationalize the hardness in a variety of ways to protect ourselves from feeling frustrated or being hurt. Forgive us and grant us wisdom and sensitivity to the leading of your Spirit. Give us openness of heart to trust you, to follow Jesus and to be a source of peace and comfort to others, even when it is costly. We pray in Jesus name. AMEN SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE - (RESPONSIVE)

One: Friends hear the good news of the gospel. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone and a new life has begun.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*THE GLORIA

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. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Prepare our hearts and minds for the hearing of your Word, Holy God. Open us to your truth. Humble us to your way. Amen.

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 18: 1-6

At the Potter's House

This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Go down to the potter's house, and there I will give you my message." So I went down to the potter's house, and I saw him working at the wheel. But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me. He said, "Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?" declares the Lord. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel.

GOSPEL READING: EPHESIANS 2: 4-10

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Message: "Clay in the Potters Hand" -Pastor David Wenker

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

*HYMN OF MEDITATION - SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD, BLUE HYMNAL #322

Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me; Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, Fall fresh on me.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES CREED (UNISON)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the guick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

Paul reminds us that generosity is a fruit of the Spirit. Let us generously share of the gifts we have been given. Let us present our offerings to God. OFFERTORY -

*The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Hospitality table after the service, outside under the trees! Please join us for light refreshments!

There is a sign up sheet, to assist with refreshments, in the narthex, if you'd like to help one Sunday.

Happy birthday Blessings to: Linda Parsons (6/16)

Nancy Mautz (6/16)

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS -

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(If you'd like to add to our prayer list, please complete a green Let's Pray card.)

Pray for: Tabernacle Methodist Church as they change Pastor's: Sue's Grandaughter as she graduates high school and enters the Coast Guard Academy: Bev Mate having knee replacement surgery on 6/18; Lisa Ryan with family problems; the 2 families who lost their homes by fire in Larry Moyer's Community; Harley Shuler with Alzheimer's; Lori Shuler, her lymphoma has come out of remission and she's facing treatments again; Linda Kaempf awaiting diagnosis; Kathy diagnosed with dementia at 68 yrs old & her husband Bob; Mary Angelita's, knee surgery; Kim Boylan with facial pain disease; Julie Groob cancer surgery June 11;

Continual prayer requested for: Those on hospice care: Marty; John Stalford, Gertrude Hess, Celeste Bashaw, Don's Dad. Those undergoing cancer treatment: Keith, Todd, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Candy, Susan Craig, Donna, Liz, Jennifer & Julie.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

Fresh Expression of Community - Beverly Mate

Once we were strangers,

Now we are neighbors. Once we were strangers, Now we are friends.

*SENDING HYMN - FAITH OF OUR FATHERS RED HYMNAL #550

 Faith of our fathers! living still In spite of dungeon fire and sword: O how our hearts beat high with joy Whene'er we hear that glorious word! Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death!

2. Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,Were still in heart and conscience free:How sweet would be their children's fate,If they like them could die for Thee!Faith of our fathers, holy faith!We will be true to thee till death!

3. Faith of our fathers! we will striveTo win all nations unto Thee,And tho' the truth that comes from God,Mankind shall then be truly free.Faith of our fathers, holy faith!We will be true to thee till death!

4. Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife:
And preach thee too as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

BENEDICTION - PASTOR DAVID WENKER POSTLUDE - JAYNE MCDONOUGH

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- 1. God Welcomes All: CCLI Song #549555
- 2. Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!: Brian Dill/John Duruall; CCLI #145366
- 3. Gloria: Public Domain
- 4. Spirit of the Living God: Daniel Iverson; CCLI #23488
- 5. Offertory
- 6. Doxology: CCLI #425557
- 7. Faith of Our Fathers;Frederick William Faber/ Frederick Hemy; CCLI #29011