



NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 25, 2021
10:00 AM

CHURCH LIFE UPDATE

Margaret LaMotte Torrence

PRELUDE

Zoë (Life)

Music by Steven Phillips

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Jeff Bartell

Come, you who hunger for provision.

Worship the Lord who turns want into plenty.

Come, you who hunger for solace.

Worship the Lord who turns weeping to laughter.

Come you who hunger for life.

Worship the Lord who is our hope and our strength.

* SONG / HYMN

Fall Afresh

Jeremy Riddle

Verse

Awaken, my soul, come awake,
To hunger to seek to thirst.
Awaken, first love, come awake,
And do as you did at first.

Chorus

Spirit of the living God, come fall afresh on me,
Come wake me from my sleep.
Blow through the caverns of my soul,
Pour in me to overflow, to overflow. **(Repeat Verse & Chorus)**

Bridge

Spirit, come and fill this place,
Let Your glory now invade.
Spirit, come and fill this place,
Let Your glory now invade. **(Chorus)**

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Margaret LaMotte Torrence

Gracious God,
When the crowds surrounded Jesus,
hungry for bread and the word of life,
he took an offering—five loaves, two fish—
and made for them a feast.
Still, we doubt the abundance of your grace.
Still, we are hesitant to share the gifts we have.
Still, we wonder whether there is enough for all.

Forgive us, O God, and make of us a more generous people.
Empower us to share the gift of our lives,
and enlighten us to see the miracles around us;
for you are the giver of grace upon grace,
the one who turns want into plenty.

(silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Margaret LaMotte Torrence

HYMN 803 (vv. 1 & 2)

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Resignation

My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways,
And leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death your presence is my stay;
One word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows; your oil anoints my head.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:1-15

SERMON

"Nothing Wasted"

Margaret LaMotte Torrence

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From A Declaration of Faith, PC(USA), 1977
Jeff Bartell

We hold that what God says to us and does for us
centers in Jesus Christ, our living Lord,
as he is remembered, known, and expected.
In Christ God's Word of demand is lived out:
to love God and neighbor as he did
is what God requires of us.
The Spirit adds no different Word from God,
but leads us deeper into the truth of God
uttered in Jesus Christ.

Jesus is Lord!
He has been Lord from the beginning.
He will be Lord at the end.
Even now he is Lord.

*** SONG OF FAITH**

Can't Stop Your Love

Cantelon, Herbert, and Ingram

Verse 1

The struggles that I face, the choices I have made
Can't stop Your love for me, can't stop Your love.
The darkness of the night, the scars I try to hide
Can't stop Your love for me, can't stop Your love.

Chorus

Where can I go, where can I go
From your presence. In your light I am known;
I'm surrounded I will not walk alone, oh!

Where can I go, where can I go
From your presence. In your light I am known;
I'm surrounded I will not walk alone.

Verse 2

Whatever lies ahead, you're with me every step.
Can't stop your love for me, can't stop your love.
It's true with every breath, it's true that even death
Can't stop your love for me, can't stop your love. **(Chorus)**

Bridge

No mountain is too high, no ocean is too wide,
Can't stop your love!
No power is too great, you overcame the grave,
Can't stop your love! **(Repeat Bridge)**

Can't stop your love, can't stop your love. **(Chorus)**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Steven Phillips

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 FOR THE OFFERING

*** HYMN 65**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhonda

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty.
Hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield;
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee;
I will ever give to thee.

*** BENEDICTION**

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POSTLUDE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Paul Manz

Musical Team
Jeff Bartell, vocal
Connor Carden, bass guitar
Mark DeRose, percussion
Ted Eastmoore, vocal and guitar
Lisa Saba, keyboard and vocal

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