



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 9, 2022
11:00 AM

CHURCH LIFE UPDATE

Timothy Boggess

MOMENT FOR DISCIPLESHIP

Tara Maffei, Family Promise Director

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision
(Isaac Mingus, cello)

arr. Steven Phillips

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 46
Becky Fingerle

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

*** HYMN 305**

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us
through the ages long!

Refrain:

In bold accord,
come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!

Long years have come and gone,
and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision,
dream the dream! **(Refrain)**

Let courage be our friend;
let wisdom be our guide,
as we in mission magnify
the Crucified! **(Refrain)**

Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er
the ages long! **(Refrain)**

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Timothy Boggess

**Loving God,
we confess that we have not been the community
or the individuals you have taught us to be.
We have been asked to serve others
and to love those who need it the most.
But we have fallen short
when we put ourselves and our priorities first.**

**Forgive us, merciful God,
for the times we have ignored your call
to be the hands and feet of Christ.
Fill our hearts with your life-giving spirit
so that we may be moved to action—
caring for your beloved children,
growing in our faith, and serving our communities.**

(silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*SONG OF JOY

Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo!

Gloria, gloria! Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to God, glory to God,
Glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God,
Alleluia, alleluia!

* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANTHEM

Ecce, Ancilla
(Chancel Choir with Isaac Mingus)

John Michael Trotta

These words from Luke's Gospel express Mary's surrender to the angel's announcement that she would bear a divine child, although she was still unmarried. Her affirmation has been an inspiration for many, as Mary says yes to the challenge of God's leading in her life.

*Ecce, ancilla Domini;
Fiat mihi secundum verbum.*

Behold, I am the servant of the Lord;
May it be done to me according to your word.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 2:1-14

SERMON

The Places In Between

Timothy Boggess

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.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Scots Confession* (3.01)

Becky Fingerle

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to whom alone we must cleave,
whom alone we must serve,
whom only we must worship,
and in whom alone we put our trust.**

**Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.**

**By whom we confess and believe
all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible,
to have been created, to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided
by his inscrutable providence for such end
as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed,
and to the manifestation of his own glory.**

*HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

Improvisation on *Come Sing, O Church in Joy*

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