TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 7, 2021

11:00 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"Good news always plays out best in relationships. . . . It's the same message over and over: 'God loves you. God's on your side. God's coming after you. God's relentless.'"

- Eric Peterson, remembering his father, Eugene Peterson

CHURCH LIFE UPDATE Steven Phillips

INTROIT *Jubilate Deo* Taizé Chant
(The Chancel Choir)

Jubilate deo omnis terra!
Servite domino in laetitia,
Halleluja, halleluja in laetitia.

Rejoice in the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness,
Halleluia, halleluia, with gladness.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** From the Psalms
Margaret LaMotte Torrence

This is the day that the Lord has made.
We will rejoice and be glad in it.
O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever.

***HYMN 35** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* Lobe den Herren

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
Gladly for aye we adore him.

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Margaret LaMotte Torrence

God of mystery, God of life,
We imagine that we are capable judges
of power and wisdom and goodness.
We trust our own standards;
we separate and categorize;
we mark the performance of others.

We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things.
We fail to watch for you, working your purposes out.

Gracious God, hidden and manifest,
transform our withered imaginations
until we yield the judgments we trust
to a love we cannot control.

(silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* **THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Molly Horner

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 10: 25-37

SERMON *"Enemies and Friends"* Margaret LaMotte Torrence

ANTHEM *The Journey Is Our Home* Alan Pote

Awake, arise, the journey's begun.
We travel on together as one.
We know not where the road will lead,
But we move in faith making love our creed as we follow;
The journey is our home.

Good travelers walk with company,
Sharing bread with those in need.
Giving help along the way
To those who fall, who wander astray as we follow;
The journey is our home.

Refrain
Join with us in jubilee!
Celebrate God's family.
Sing together joyfully: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Praise forevermore.

God moves with us as we go,
And hears our cry, our path God knows.
Yet far beyond the setting sun
There shines a light of a victory won.
The journey – the journey is our home. **(Refrain)**

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Luke 10:26-28
Steven Phillips

What is written in the law? What do you read there?

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, and with all your strength,
and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.**

If we do this, we will live.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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;
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

MISIÓN PENIEL VIDEO

***HYMN 172** *Blest Are They* Blest Are They

Blest are they, the poor in spirit;
Theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow;
They shall be consoled.

Refrain
Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you; holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God!

Blest are they, the lowly ones;
They shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst;
They shall have their fill. **(Refrain)**

Blest are they who show mercy;
Mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart;
They shall see God. **(Refrain)**

Blest are they who seek peace;
They are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith;
The glory of God is theirs. **(Refrain)**

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Blest are you who suffer hate,
All because of me.
Rejoice, be glad; yours is the kingdom;
Shine for all to see.

Refrain
Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you; holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God!

***BENEDICTION** Margaret LaMotte Torrence

POSTLUDE *Improvisation on Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Steven Phillips

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