

*Plymouth Congregational Church*  
*United Church of Christ*



*October 10, 2021*

*With welcoming hearts  
Plymouth seeks to share the transforming love of Christ  
through  
Faith-filled worship, prayer, and study  
Hope-filled service and outreach  
Love-filled fellowship*

Plymouth Congregational Church  
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 10, 2021  
10:00 a.m.

**PRELUDE**

*Suite on the 2nd Tone*

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**\*HYMN 92**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Lord is enthroned as the Holy One  
*in whom our ancestors put their trust.*

Future generations will be told about the Lord.

*All the ends of the earth will remember and proclaim God's righteousness.  
Let us turn to the Lord and offer faithful praise!*

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Steadfast Lord, you have a vision for our world that we sometimes can not see. Your peace offers gladness in our troubles. Your hope offers strength in our weakness. As we worship, may we feel your presence. Give us faithful hearts and courageous spirits for such a time as this. We ask these things in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying,*

*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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.*

**FIRST LESSON**

Esther 4:1-16

(See Insert)

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Rev. Moira McGuinn

*\*Children ages 4-11 registered for Nurturing Faith may go to McNaughton Hall at this time.*

**ANTHEM** *Bring Us Hope* Ruth Elaine Schram

**SECOND LESSON** Esther 7:1-10 **(See Insert)**

**SERMON** "Learning to Tell Time" Rev. Al Bunis

**SERMON RESPONSE (Hymn 669)** *God of Grace and God of Glory (v.1)* CWM RHONDDA

### **CALL TO PRAYER**

The Lord be with you,  
**and also with you.**

Let us pray: O Lord, show your mercy upon us,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us,  
**and may your Holy Spirit live within us.**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE (Hymn 669)** *God of Grace and God of Glory (v.4)* CWM RHONDDA

**OFFERTORY** *Arise! He calleth thee* Joseph Roeckel

### **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

#### **\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 809)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### **BENEDICTION**

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *God Be With You* Ralph Vaughan Williams

**POSTLUDE** *Fugue in C Major BuxWV 174* Dietrich Buxtehude

**Participating in today's service:**

Rev. Al Bunis, *Senior Pastor*  
Rev. Moira McGuinn, *Associate Pastor*  
Gerry Brenes, *Director of Music*  
Chris Toth, *Organist*  
Plymouth Chancel Choir

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