FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Summer Worship

July 10, 2022

The Service for the Lord's Day

WE GATHER

PRELUDE Andante Tranquillo from *Seven Sketches for Organ* Percy Whitlock

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

*GATHERING HYMN #424

O Jesus Christ, May Grateful Hymns Be Rising CHARTERHOUSE

1 O Jesus Christ, may grateful hymns be rising,
In every city for Your love and care;
Inspire our worship, grant the glad surprising
That Your blest Spirit rouses everywhere.

2 Grant us new courage, sacrificial, humble,
Strong in Your strength to venture and to dare;
To lift the fallen, guide the feet that stumble.
Seek out the lonely and God's mercy share.

3 Show us Your Spirit, brooding o'er each city,
As You once wept above Jerusalem,
Seeking to gather all in love and pity,
And healing those who touch Your garment's hem.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Please stand if you are able.

WE LISTEN

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE 1 John 4:7-21 Amanda Gerrity

Leader: The word of the Lord;
People: Thanks be to God

SERMON The Rev. J.C. Austin

"It's Really That Simple (?)"

WE RESPOND

*SERMON HYMN #366

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me ST CATHERINE

1 Jesus, Thy boundless love to me
No thought can reach, no tongue declare;
O knit my thankful heart to Thee,
And reign without a rival there!
Thine wholly, Thine alone, I'd live,
Myself to Thee, entirely give.

2 O, grant that nothing in my soul
May dwell, but Thy pure love alone;
O may Thy love possess me whole,
My joy, my treasure, and my crown!
All coldness from my heart remove;
May every act, word, thought be love.

3 O love, how gracious is thy way!
All fear before thy presence flies;
Care, anguish, sorrow melt away,
Where'er Thy healing beams arise.
O Jesus, nothing may I see,
Nothing desire or seek, but Thee.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

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 quick 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 OFFERING

Call to Give

Offertory Thrive arr. Dan Galbraith

Contemporary Ensemble

Verse 1 Here in this worn and weary land
Where many a dream has died
Like a tree planted by the water
We never will run dry

Pre-Chorus So living water flowing through God
we thirst for more of You
Fill our hearts and flood our souls
With one desire

Chorus Just to know You and to make You known
We lift Your name on high
Shine like the sun make darkness run and hide
We know we were made for so much more
Than ordinary lives
It's time for us to more than just survive
We were made to thrive

Verse 2 Into Your Word we're digging deep
To know our Father's heart
Into the world we're reaching out
To show them who You are

Bridge
Joy unspeakable
Faith unsinkable
Love unstoppable
Anything is possible

*Doxology #592

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

*SENDING HYMN Go In Peace, Go in Love Sally Ann Morris

Go in peace, go in love.
Go to seek, go to serve.
Go in hope to work and pray.
And God goes with you all the way.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Fanfare" from 5 *Works for Organ* Healey Willan

The flowers are to celebrate God's peace and Carolyn Bevan's 90th birthday.
Carolyn and Carville have known each other for 84 years.

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