

First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Digital Contemporary Service

October 11, 2020



CONGREGATIONAL SONGS OF PRAISE

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Brian Doerksen

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

Verse 1

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

Verse 2

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives
Willingly our knees will bow
With all our heart soul mind and strength
We gladly choose You now

Ending

Come come just as you are come come

Ever Be

Kailey Heiligenthal

Verse 1

Your love is devoted like a ring of solid gold
Like a vow that is tested like a covenant of old
Your love is enduring through the winter rain
And beyond the horizon with mercy for today

Pre-Chorus

Faithful You have been and faithful You will be

You pledge Yourself to me and it's why I sing

Chorus

Your praise will ever be on my lips

Ever be on my lips

Your praise will ever be on my lips

Ever be on my lips

(REPEAT)

Verse 2

You Father the orphan

Your kindness makes us whole

You shoulder our weakness

And Your strength becomes our own

You're making me like You

Clothing me in white

Bringing beauty from ashes

For You will have Your bride

Pre-Chorus

Free of all her guilt and rid of all her shame

And known by her true name and it's why I sing

Bridge

You will be praised You will be praised

With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord

You will be praised You will be praised

With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord

(REPEAT)

And it's why I sing

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PASSING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE

His Mercy is More

Matt Boswell

Verse 1

What love could remember no wrongs we have done

Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore

Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 2

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 3

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Chorus

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, in calling us to follow him, Jesus calls us to love you, each other, our neighbors, even our enemies. Yet so often we misunderstand, or ignore, or refuse that call. We confuse love with amiability, or affection, or agreement. We make treating others with love conditional on how we feel about them, or how they treat us. Teach us the true meaning and power of your love in and through Jesus Christ. Help us to imitate Christ's love in what we do and say, and in what we do not do and say, so that our lives and ministry may be new incarnations of your love in the world.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:43-48

SERMON "When You Can't Pray Anything Nice..." The Rev. J.C. Austin

SONG OF PRAISE

God So Loved the World

Reuben Morgan

Verse

God so loved the world that He gave
God so loved the world that He gave
His only Son

Pre-Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

Chorus

He's risen from the dead He is risen

He's high and lifted up

Heaven and earth adore

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

SONG OF PRAISE

The Blessing

Stephen Furtick

Verse

The Lord bless you

And keep you

Make his face shine upon you

And be gracious to you

The Lord turn his

Face toward you

And give you peace

Chorus

Amen

Amen

Amen

Bridge

May his favor

Be upon you

And a thousand generations

And your family

And your children

And their children

And their children

Bridge

May his presence

Go before you

And behind you

And beside you

All around you

And within you

He is with you

He is with you

Tag

He is for you

He is for you

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE