

First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Digital Contemporary Service

August 2, 2020



CONGREGATIONAL SONGS OF PRAISE

Bless His Name (Band Only)

Unstoppable God

Chris Brown

Verse 1

Heaven thundered
And the world was born
Life begins and ends
In the dust You formed
Faith commanded
And the mountains moved
Fear is losing ground
To our hope in You

Chorus

Unstoppable God
Let Your glory go on and on
Impossible things
In Your name they shall be done (oh)

Verse 2

Freedom conquered
All our chains undone
Sin defeated
Jesus has overcome
Mercy triumphed
When the third day dawned
Darkness was denied
When the stone was gone

Bridge

Nothing shall be impossible
Your kingdom reigns unstoppable

We'll shout Your praise forevermore
Jesus our God unstoppable

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PASSING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE

Salvation

Charlie Hall

Verse

Salvation spring up from the ground
Lord rend the heavens and come down
Seek the lost and heal the lame
Jesus bring glory to Your name
Let all the prodigals run home
All of creation waits and groans
Lord we've heard of Your great fame
Father cause all to shout Your name

Chorus

Stir up our hearts oh God
Open our spirits to awe who You are
Put a cry in us
So deep inside that we cannot find
The words we need
We just weep and cry out to You

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all truth, your Word holds good through all the seasons and changes of our lives; but we confess that we are often tentative and timid disciples, even as we are quick to judge the thoughts and opinions of others. Steady us, O God, and make us bold in your service. Help us to be true to you and to ourselves, even as we open our hearts and minds, listening and speaking graciously to those whose experience and understanding may be very different from our own. Make us agents of reconciliation in a troubled and conflicted world; and, as we come to your table today, embolden us, sustain us, and so help us to grow into the full stature of the Word incarnate, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 55: 1-5

SERMON

“Imagine!”

The Rev. Steve Simmons

SONG OF PRAISE

Breathe

Marie Barnett

Verse

This is the air I breathe

This is the air I breathe

Your holy presence living in me

This is my daily bread

This is my daily bread

Your very word spoken to me

Chorus

And I I'm desperate for You

And I I'm lost without You

Ending

This is the air I breathe

This is the air I breathe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to
give you thanks and praise...

As our Savior Christ has taught us,
so now we pray:

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.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

SONG OF PRAISE

This is Your Day

Dave Kull

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
Oh God You saved my soul
There's nowhere else I'd rather be
Jesus You are my home

Pre-Chorus

To the One who gave His life for me
To the Son who set my spirit free

Chorus 1

Shout it from the rooftops
Make it loud
This is your day
Love has come to save us
To break us out and make a way

Chorus 2

Like a rolling stone
Like a blazing fire
Keep the faith alive
This is not the end
This is where it starts
Open up your heart

Verse 2

Amazing love the sweetest thing
That I have ever known
If I have You I have it all
This is where I belong

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE