

First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

Digital Contemporary Service

August 23, 2020



CONGREGATIONAL SONGS OF PRAISE

Undignified

Matt Redman

Verse

I will dance I will sing
To be mad for my King
Nothing Lord is hindering
The passion in my soul

Chorus

And I'll become even more
Undignified than this
Some would say it's foolishness but
I'll become even more
Undignified than this

The Lord Our God

Jason Ingram

Verse 1

Promise maker promise keeper
You finish what You begin
Our provision through the desert
You see it through till the end
You see it through till the end

Chorus

The Lord our God is ever faithful
Never changing through the ages
From this darkness You will lead us
And forever we will say
You're the Lord our God

Verse 2

In the silence in the waiting
Still we can know You are good

All Your plans are for Your glory
Yes we can know You are good
Yes we can know You are good

Bridge
We won't move without You
We won't move without You
You're the light of all and all that we need
(REPEAT)

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PASSING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE

Good Good Father

Anthony Brown

Verse 1
I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus
You're a Good Good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

Verse 2
I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Verse 3

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak

Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think

As You call me deeper still

As You call me deeper still

As You call me deeper still

Into love love love

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving God, you sent Jesus Christ to us as the full and final revelation of your goodness, your purpose, your image, your peace. And yet we still try to make him fit our image, our desires, our expectations rather than reveal yours. Forgive us and help us to recognize, accept, and follow Christ as his disciples, so our words and lives and ministry may reflect the revelation of your love and grace into the world.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 16:13-20

SERMON

“Building on Shaky Ground”

The Rev. J.C. Austin

SONG OF PRAISE

Amazing

Brian Platt

Verse 1

You are my sole provider

You are the Prince of Peace

You are my defender

And I want to worship

You are the victory won

You are the risen one

To You I surrender

And I want to worship

Chorus
Never gonna be the same
Love will never leave me
God You're amazing
(REPEAT)

Verse 2
You are my sole provider
You are the Son of God
You are my protector
And I want to worship
You are the victory won
You are the risen one
To You I surrender
And I want to worship

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

Build Your Kingdom Here

Chris Llewellyn

Verse 1
Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church
We need Your pow'r in us

Verse 2
We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives

For You're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released
The hurt the sick the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
We are Your church
We pray revive this earth

Chorus
Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray

Verse 3
Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are Your church
We are the hope on earth

BENEDICTION

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