

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

Music Director: Pamela Carroll

Order of Worship for August 9, 2020

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude –

Opening Prayer in Unison

We give thanks to you, God our Father, for mercy that reaches out, for patience that waits our returning, for your love that is ever ready to welcome sinners. We praise you that in Jesus Christ you came to us with forgiveness, and that, by your Holy Spirit, you move us to repent and receive your love. Though we are sinners, you are faithful and worthy of all praise. We praise you, great God, in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Anthem –

Call to Confession

When we see God's beautiful holiness, we recognize our own lack of holiness. God is light and truth, yet we live among shadows and lies. People of God, let us acknowledge who and whose we are; let us ask our powerful God to illumine us with grace and truth in Jesus, our Lord.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen

Silent Confession

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”
—John 3:16-17, NRSV

***Our Response Jesus Loves me
Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong;
they are weak, but he is strong.**

Refrain:

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

**Jesus loves me he who died
heaven's gate to open wide.
He will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in. [Refrain]**

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn For the Beauty of the Earth



1. For the beau-ty of the earth, For the glo - ry of the skies,
2. For the won-der of each hour Of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de - light,
4. For the joy of hu - man love, Broth-er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,



For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,
For the mys - tic har - mo - ny Link-ing sense to sound and sight,
Friends on earth, and friends a - bove, For all gen - tle thoughts and mild,



Refrain



Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grate-ful praise.



5. For Thy church that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore

Her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

First Scripture Lesson

Genesis 45:1-15

45:1 Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers.

45:2 And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it.

45:3 Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

45:4 Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt.

45:5 And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life.

45:6 For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest.

45:7 God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors.

45:8 So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

45:9 Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay.

45:10 You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have.

45:11 I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.

45:12 And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you.

45:13 You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here."

45:14 Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck.

45:15 And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Second Scripture Lesson

Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

15:10 Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand:

15:11 it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles."

15:12 Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?"

15:13 He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted.

15:14 Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit."

15:15 But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us."

15:16 Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding?"

15:17 Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?

15:18 But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles.

15:19 For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander.

15:20 These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

15:21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon.

15:22 Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon."

15:23 But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us."

15:24 He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

15:25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me."

15:26 He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs."

15:27 She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."

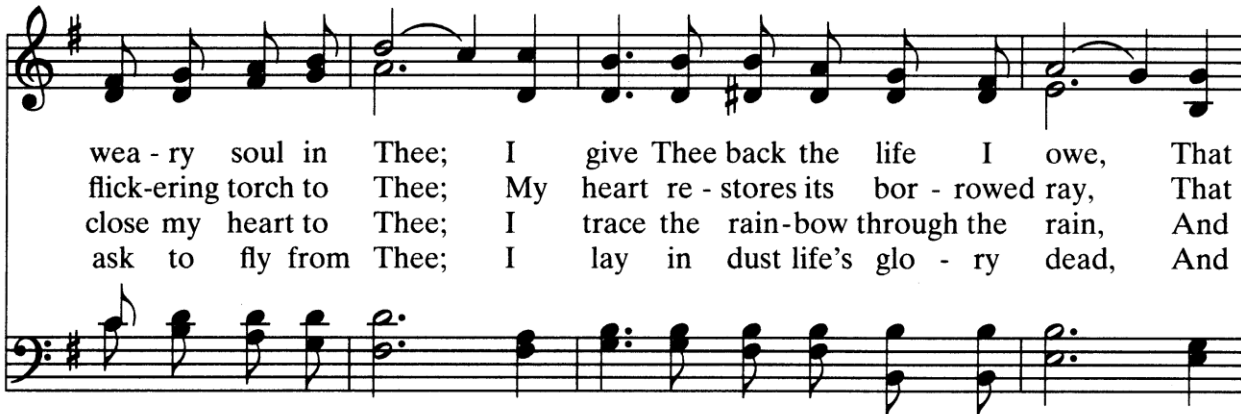
15:28 Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Sermon – Elder Jan Hunt

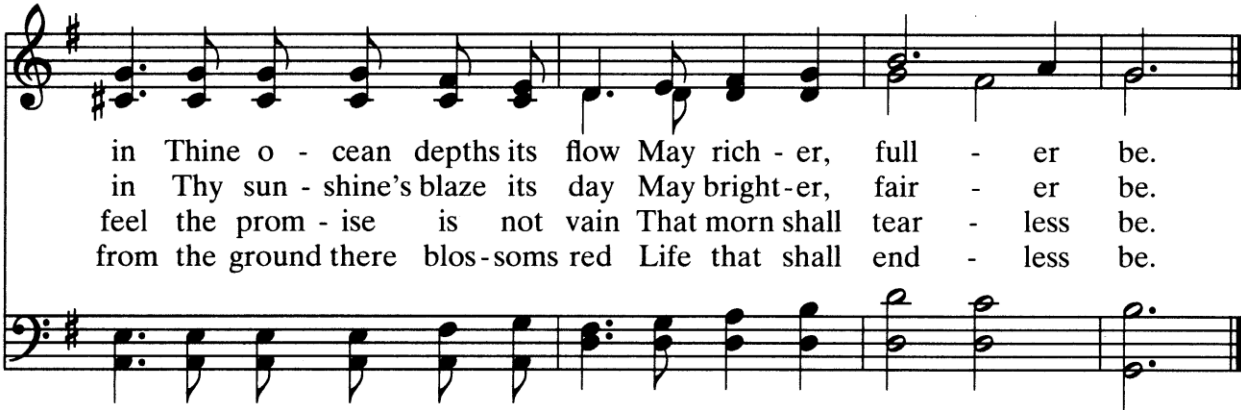
*Hymn O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go



1. O love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
2. O light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
3. O joy that seek-est me through pain, I can - not
4. O cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not



wea - ry soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That
flick-ering torch to Thee; My heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, That
close my heart to Thee; I trace the rain-bow through the rain, And
ask to fly from Thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, And



in Thine o - cean depths its flow May rich - er, full - er be.
in Thy sun - shine's blaze its day May bright-er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain That morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there blos-soms red Life that shall end - less be.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory –

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

*Prayer of Dedication

***Invitation to Prayer I've Got Peace Like a River**

**I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Sending

***Hymn - Called As Partners in Christ's Service**

**Called as partners in Christ's service,
Called to ministries of grace,
We respond with deep commitment,
Fresh new lines of faith to trace,
May we learn the art of sharing,
Side by side and friend with friend,
Equal partners in our caring,
To fulfil God's chosen end.**

**Christ's example Christ's inspiring,
Christ's clear call to work and worth,
Let us follow never faltering,
Reconciling folk on earth,
Men and women richer poorer,
All God's people young and old,
Blending human skills together,
Gracious gifts from God unfold.**

***Sending Forth and Benediction**

***Choral Response I am Gonna Live So God Can Use Me**

**I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!)
I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime! (anytime!)**

**I'm gonna work so (work so) God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!)
I'm gonna work so (work so) God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime! (anytime!)**

Liturgist: Fred Hunt
Head Deacons: Tracey Chappell & Fred Hunt
Organ Substitute: Matthew Blom

Many thanks to Elder Jan Hunt who is guest preaching for Pastor Jen Baer who is on retreat this week doing fall planning. Jan has been completing Commissioned Pastor Training courses through Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. We are so thankful for her sharing her gifts.

Many thanks as well to our guest organist Matthew Blom who is substituting for Pam Carroll while she is on vacation.