



TO BE HIS LIGHT THAT TRANSFORMS LIVES

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 25, 2021

Welcome

Prelude *“The Lord’s Prayer with Rachmaninoff” (Arr. by Hyeon Kim)*
(Dobin Park – Piano)

Tower Bell

Call to Worship (done responsively)

L: We Worship in the name of the One who calms the waters.

M: **He calls to us in our fear and says, “Be not afraid.”**

L: We Worship in the name of the One who feeds the hungry.

M: **He reaches out his hand to us and we are satisfied.**

L: The power of His goodness is more than we understand.

M: **The wonder of His love for us is our hope and our salvation.**

L: Let us Worship God in the name of Jesus, the One who has done many things!!

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (in unison)

We praise you, God of grace and might. We come before You and Worship You day and night. We thank You that You give us everything we need, that through You we will not hunger or thirst anymore, that the sun will not strike us nor any scorching heat. We bless You; we give You glory, through your Son.

We confess, mighty God, that the ways of Your Son, our Messiah, are not our own. We see only five loaves and two fish. He made them a feast for 5,000 hungry people. We hear the roar of the winds and feel the spray of the waters, and we are afraid. He walked upon the

storm-tossed waters and offered assurance. Forgive us, God, for failing to perceive the possibilities in our midst, offered by Your hand. Teach us as followers of Christ not to rely upon our limited vision and our narrow perspective. Remind us that the power of Christ's love for us makes possible far more than we will ever truly understand. Help us to receive all the goodness You have planned for us, and to offer it, in turn, to others. It is in Jesus' name that we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

P: Hear the Good News! We are accepted, received, recognized, confronted and loved by God. Let us struggle with accepting, receiving, recognizing, confronting and loving ourselves. Dearly Beloved, believe the Good News!

M: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, now and forever. Amen.**

***Gloria Patri**

(Creatorex)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Scripture Lesson

From the History of the Old Testament: 2 Kings 4:42-44

⁴² A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³ But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" ⁴⁴ He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Anthem

“Peace I Give to You”

(Craig Courtney)

Peace I leave you. My peace I give you.
Not as the world gives, I give to you.
Peace I give to you.
Let not your heart be troubled and fear not.
In this world you shall have tribulations.
Take heart! I have overcome the world!
Peace I give to you. I give My peace to you.

Scripture Lesson

From the Poetry of the Old Testament: Psalm 145:10-18

- ¹⁰ All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your faithful shall bless you.
- ¹¹ They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,
and tell of your power,
- ¹² to make known to all people your^[a] mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your^[b] kingdom.
- ¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.
- The LORD is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.^[c]
- ¹⁴ The LORD upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.
- ¹⁵ The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.
- ¹⁶ You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.
- ¹⁷ The LORD is just in all his ways,
and kind in all his doings.
- ¹⁸ The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Offertory Invitation

Who will lead God's children to their promised land? Surely it will be those who have begun to live in the realm of God, who know God's mercy and remember God's benefits. To the extent that our offerings are generous, the church can be the yeast of God in a needy world.

Offertory *"Praise the Everlasting King!"* (Lloyd Larson)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing.
Praise Him for His grace and favor to all people in distress.
Praise Him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Fatherlike, He tends and spares us; All our hopes and fears He knows.
In His hands, He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Let us then adore Him, living God of love and grace!
Earth and heaven bow down before Him; all who dwell in time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King! Amen.

Scripture Lesson

From the Gospels: John 6:1-21

6 After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias.^[a] **2** A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. **3** Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. **4** Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. **5** When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for

PILGRIMAGE & PERSEVERANCE

501 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this bar - ren land;
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;

I am weak, but thou art might - y—hold me with thy power - ful hand:
 let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my jour - ney through:
 bear me through the swell - ing cur - rent, land me safe on Ca - naan's side:

Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en, feed me till I want no
 Strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to

more, (want no more,) feed me till I want no more.
 shield, (strength and shield,) be thou still my strength and shield.
 thee, (give to thee,) I will ev - er give to thee.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Preaching Today: Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer

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Organist: Michael Sullivan

Choral Director: Dobin Park

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