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COF Worship, June 28, 2020, 10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship and Prayer of Approach

L: This is the day that the Lord has made!

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L: Let us always sing of God's steadfast love, let us tell everyone of God's faithfulness!

P: God's love is forever and God's faithfulness will never end.

Let us pray: God of all glory, on this first day you began creation, bringing light out of darkness.

On this first day you began your new creation, raising Jesus Christ from the darkness of death.

On this Lord's Day grant that we, the people you create by water and the Spirit, may be joined with all your works in praising you for your great glory. Through Jesus Christ, in union with the Holy Spirit, we praise you now and forever; and we pray together the prayer Christ taught: *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.* Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 18, p.363). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Song: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, Stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began; Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strive. Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Call to Confession

Broken as we are Living in a time of worry and fear and isolation We are beloved people of God. God doesn't "need" our confessions But uses them to heal us For we know that, to admit you have made a mistake Is the first step to making it right. Let us share with God and ourselves and each other The places where we have fallen short As a community As a people As human beings. Let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. (moment of silence.) Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 60). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Assurance of Pardon

As God hears our confessions, may we hear God say in return: *I forgive you, I love you always,* And *I am with you.* Thanks be to God. **Amen. Response of Praise** *Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above With wisdom power and love, our God is an awesome God! (2x)*

Special Music

It is Well with My Soul

Dawn Farwick and Johanna Willis,

Prayer for Illumination

Listen to the Word Listen to the word that God has spoken Listen to the one who is close at hand Listen to the voice that began creation Listen even if you don't understand

Scripture Psalm 13

L: ¹How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? P: ²How long must I bear pain in my soul, and have sorrow in my heart all day long? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

L:³Consider and answer me, O LORD my God! Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death, ⁴and my enemy will say, "I have prevailed"; my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.

P: ⁵But I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

All: ⁶I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me. **Hymn** Come Thou Font of Every Blessing Come thou font of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I'm come; And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; God, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love' Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Scripture Matthew 10: 37-42

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ⁴⁰"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith—Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering Prayer Thank you to all who continue to give!

Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

Song: Bind Us Together Bind us together, lord, bind us together with cords that will never be broken Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together with love. There is only one God, there is only one king. There is only one body, that is why we sing. (Repeat all.)

Charge and Benediction