6th Sunday After Pentecost July 17, 2022

Gathering God invites us to enter His presence

Prelude

I Am Thine, O Lord Soliloquy Prentiss Broughton

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Time for Silent Preparation)

Call to Worship (*Responsively*)

Hob Pusey

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Invocation

Hob Pusey

All glorious God, we give you thanks: in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms. You chose us, before the world was made, to be your holy people, without fault in your sight. You adopted us as your children in Christ. You have set us free by his blood; you have forgiven our sins. You have made known to us your secret purpose, to bring heaven and earth into unity in Christ. You have given us your Holy Spirit, the seal and pledge of our inheritance. All praise and glory be yours, O God, for the richness of your grace, for the splendor of your gifts, for the wonder of your love.

Y Hymn 26 A Mighty Fortress

<u>Confessing</u> God invites us to be honest with Him

Call to Confession (*Responsively*)

Hob Pusey

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

Prayer of Confession

Hob Pusey

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.**

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hob Pusey

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord **All:** Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

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. A-men, A-men. Offering

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Invitation	Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.	
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Offertory	There Is None Like You	LeBlanc
⊻́ Doxology	Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;	

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men

Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Prayer of Dedication

All good things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You gave your only Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Savior. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have, in union with Christ's offering for us. By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

🖞 Hymn

O Love that Will Not Let Me Go

O love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths in flow may richer, fuller be.

O light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

O joy that seekest me through pain, I can not close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be. O cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

Graduate Recognition

College Graduate Katherine Sears

<u>Proclaiming</u> God speaks to us through His Word

Scripture Reading

Psalm 126

¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. ² Our mouths were filled with laughter then, and our tongues with shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." ³ The LORD had done great things for us; we were joyful. ⁴Restore our fortunes, LORD, like watercourses in the Negev. ⁵Those who sow in tears will reap with shouts of joy. ⁶ Though one goes along weeping, carrying the bag of seed, he will surely come back with shouts of joy, carrying his sheaves.

Sermon

Psalm 126

Rev. Tim Latham

Responding We respond to God's Word

Hymn Psalm 126

Verse 1 Our mouths they were filled, filled with laughter Our tongues they were loosed, loosed with joy Pre-Chorus Restore us, O Lord Restore us, O Lord

Chorus Although we are weeping Lord, help us keep sowing The seeds of Your Kingdom For the day You will reap them Your sheaves we will carry Lord, please do not tarry All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy

Verse 2 The nations will say, "He has done great things!" The nations will sing songs of joy

Pre-Chorus Restore us, O Lord Restore us, O Lord

Chorus

Profession of Faith (Heidelberg Catechism)

My only comfort in life and in death is that I am not my own, but belongbody and soul, in life and in deathto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Prayers of the People

<u>Commissioning</u> God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Y Hymn 66 To God Be the Glory

Benediction & Blessing

This morning's Prayer Partners are Carolyn Thompson, Don Titus

Postlude

Divertissement

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