

MAY 10, 2020

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP



SECOND
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

11 AM

*"I believe this with all my heart,
I rely on it every single day,
I have staked my life on it and
I cling to its truth: love is what
holds us. Holds us up. Holds us
together. Holds us forever."*

—Rev. Chris Henry

Next Sunday, May 17

11 a.m. (LiveStream)
Rev. Christopher A. Henry
"Beyond Clichés:
Seeking A Deeper Faith:
God Won't Give You More
Than You Can Handle"

**BEYOND CLICHÉS:
SEEKING A DEEPER FAITH**

**GOD HELPS THOSE
WHO HELP THEMSELVES**

Psalm 10:14, 17-18, 18:6, 16

A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives



Welcome! We are so glad to have you with us in worship this morning. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we welcome you into this new sense of sanctuary – friends joined through Livestream, on Facebook, and at home on TV. We are indeed a community of faith and we are most grateful to still share in fellowship together.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Christopher A. Henry
Senior Pastor

Rev. Madison M. VanVeelen
Coordinator of Pastoral Care

Rev. Christopher G. Palmer
Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

Erin Benedict, Sanctuary Choir Section Leader

Gary Walters, pianist

May 10, 2020 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude

Solitude

Duke Ellington
(1899-1974)

Welcome

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Call to Worship

Rev. Madison M. VanVeelen

One: Born in a manger, calling us from the shore,

All: Jesus meets us where we are.

One: Entering our homes, teaching us his ways,

All: Jesus meets us where we are.

One: Quieting the storms, feeding our deepest hungers,

All: Jesus meets us where we are.

One: On the beach at daybreak, in the darkest corners of our hearts,

All: Jesus meets us where we are.

Prayer of Adoration

Opening Hymn #150

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our king; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, Be - fore the throne re - joice;
Christ is our guide and friend; Let prayer to him as - cend;

Saved by God's gra - cious choice; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Christ's love shall nev - er end; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of unity and love,
 place within each of us a spirit of hope and community.
 Have mercy upon us when we speak without love or act without humility.
 Cleanse us with the living water of your grace.
 Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness.
 Raise us up to be your children, growing toward maturity in faith and love.
 Strengthen this church, that we may be a model of ministry and unity for all the world to see.
 In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Response of Praise

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to His Name.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

We Experience God's Word

Time with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Sarah Parks

First Lesson

Psalm 121:1-2

Anthem

Come Sunday

arr. Duke Ellington
(1899-1974)

Lord, dear Lord above, God almighty, God of love,
please look down and see my people through.
I believe that God put sun and moon up in the sky.
I don't mind the gray skies
'cause they're just clouds passing by.
He'll give peace and comfort to every troubled mind.
Come Sunday, oh, come Sunday, that's the day.

Up from dawn til' sunset, we work hard all the day.
Come Sunday, oh, come Sunday, that's the day.
Often we feel weary but he knows our every care.
Go to him in secret, he will hear your every prayer.
Lord, dear Lord above, God almighty,
God of love, please look down and see my people through.

Second Lesson

Psalm 10:14, 17-18, 18:6, 16

Sermon

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

“God Helps Those Who Help Themselves”

"In my distress I called upon the Lord; to my God I cried for help."

(PSALM 18:6A)

We Give Thanks to God

Affirmation of Faith

(from *A Declaration of Faith*, 1985)

Rev. Christopher G. Palmer

We believe our hope in God gives us courage for the struggle.

**The people of God have often misused God's promises
as excuses for doing nothing about present evils.**

**But in Christ the new world has already broken in
and the old can no longer be tolerated.**

We know our efforts cannot bring in God's kingdom.

**But hope plunges us into the struggle
for victories over evil that are possible now
in the world, the church, and our individual lives.**

**Hope gives us courage and energy
to contend against all opposition,
however invincible it may seem,
for the new world and the new humanity
that are surely coming.**

Jesus is Lord!

He has been Lord from the beginning.

He will be Lord at the end. Amen.

Call to Generosity

Offertory

My God is Real

Kenneth Morris
(1917-1988)

There are some things I may not know,
there are some places I can't go.
But I am sure of one thing, that God is real,
for I can feel Him deep within.

Refrain:

My God is real, real in my soul.
My God is real, for He washed and made me whole.
His love for me is like pure gold.
My God is real, for I can feel Him in my soul.

Some folks may doubt, some folks may scorn,
all can desert and leave me alone.
But as for me I'll take God's part,
for God is real and I can feel Him in my heart.
My God is real, real in my soul.

Refrain:

My God is real, real in my soul.
My God is real, for He washed and made me whole.
His love for me is like pure gold.
My God is real, for I can feel Him in my soul.

Prayers of the People and the 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 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.**

We Go Forth to Serve

Closing Hymn

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

SHOWALTER



1. What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, lean-ing on the e-ver-las-ting arms;
2. O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the e-ver-las-ting arms;



what a bles-sed-ness, what a peace is mine, lean-ing on the e-ver-las-ting arms.
O how bright the path grows from day to day, lean-ing on the e-ver-las-ting arms.



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se-cure from all a - larms;



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the e - ver - las - ting arms.

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Alone Together

Arthur Schwartz; Howard Dietz
(1900-1984; 1896-1983)

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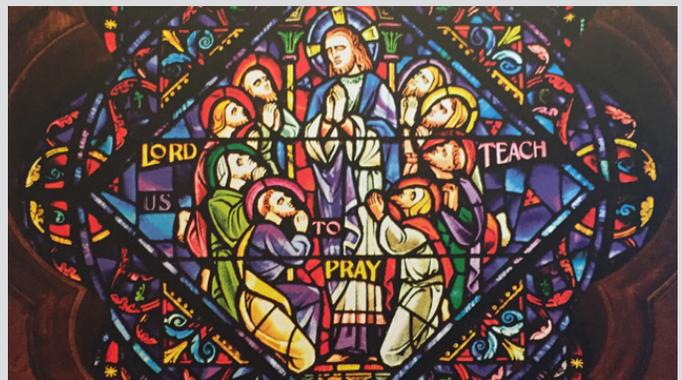
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