## Sixth Presbyterian Church

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#### **Sixth Presbyterian Church**

Sunday, October 17, 2021, 11:00 am Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

The Sanctuary is a sacred space. The choral chimes will ring three times to let you know it is time to quiet your hearts, minds, and voices to prepare for worship.

**Prelude** 

Welcome and Announcements

Peace Candle

Introit

"Out of Yahweh's Heart"

plainsong Arr., C. Winfred Douglas

\*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather to worship God,

All: who stretched the heavens like a tent and set the earth on its foundations.

Leader: We gather to worship God,

All: who rides the winds like a chariot and wears light as a garment.

Leader: We gather to worship God,

All: who suffered for the sake of our lives and offers us life abundant.

**LET US WORSHIP GOD!** 

\*Hymn

"Sing Praise to God, You Heavens!"

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\*Prayer of the Day

#### **Prayer of Confession**

All: O Lord, You have taught us that whoever wishes to become great must be a servant, and whoever seeks to be first must be last and servant of all. Still, O Lord, we are like James and John, seeking seats of glory. We organize our lives around ladders to climb, not realizing that we are stepping on people whom You love. Forgive us, O Christ, and teach us to follow in Your way, for the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Silent Confession

# Sing Praise to God, You Heavens! 17



This paraphrase of Psalm 148 reflects the spirit of praise linking Psalms 146–150. Of the two great themes found in these final five psalms—creation and deliverance—this psalm focuses on the former. The opening praise "from the heavens" is matched by praise "from the earth."



Assurance of Pardon and Commitment To Pass the Peace

\*Gloria 585 (Cantor sings a phrase, congregation repeats)



Moment for Stewardship

Carol and Bill Beggs

#### Prayer for Illumination

All: O God, You show us the way of servanthood. You have given us much so that we can bless others and not seek gratification for ourselves. Help us to seek Your path and keep us in humility so that we can be the light of Christ in the world. In the name of the One who came to serve, we pray. AMEN.

Time for Children Jenny Newman

Hebrew Reading Job 38:1-7,16-17 (pg. 595)

Epistle Reading Hebrews 5:1-10 (pg. 267)

\*Gospel Reading Mark 10:35-45 (pg. 57)

\*Hymn

"The Church of Christ in Every Age"

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#### \*Affirmation of Faith

All: In life and in death we belong to God. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace. We rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Pastoral Prayer** 

...God of mercy, be gracious to us.

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;
do not let us fall into temptation,

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

but deliver us from evil.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem

"Keep Me Faithfully"

G.F. Handel Arr., Richard Proulx

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\*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures high and low, Praise God, in Jesus fully known, Creator, Word and Spirit One. Amen. 2019 Vatican Update

## 320 The Church of Christ in Every Age



In this challenging text by a British Methodist minister, the odd-numbered stanzas develop the image of "the servant church," while the second surveys the many needs and the fourth describes the true source of strength for the task.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: Let us give thanks, for God is good and God's Love is everlasting!

All: Thanks be to God - whose love creates us!

Thanks be to God - whose mercy redeems us!

Thanks be to God - whose grace leads us into the future!

\*Hymn

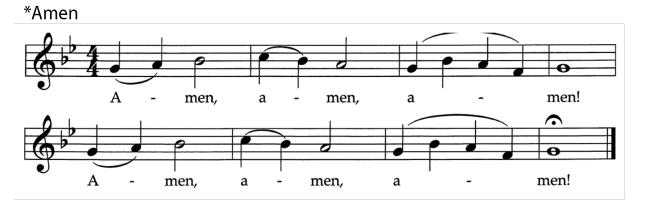
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\*Benediction

William Sloane Coffin



Postlude

\*Those who can may stand

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## O Lord My God

#### How Great Thou Art



\*Author's original words are "works," "mighty," and "shall-I bow."

This tuneful retelling of the salvation story began in Swedish and was translated into German and then into Russian before reaching its English form. Despite such linguistic and musical revisions, it continues to be a meaningful source of comfort to many people.



#### **KOREAN**

- 1 주 하나님 지으신 모든세계 내마음 속에 그리어 볼때 하늘의 별 울려 퍼지는 뇌성 주님의 권능 우주에 찼네
- 후력 주님의 높고 위대하심을 내영혼이 찬양하네 주님의 높고 위대하심을 내영혼이 찬양하네
- 2 숲속이나 험한산 골짝에서 지저귀는 저 새소리들과 고요하게 흐르는 시냇물은 주님의 솜씨 노래하도다 후렴
- 3 주하나님 독생자 아낌없이
   우리를 위해 보내주셨네
   십자가에 피흘려 죽으신 주
   내모든 죄를 대속하셨네
- 4 내주 예수 세상에 다시 올 때 저천국으로 날 인도하리 나 겸손히 엎드려 경배하며 영원히 주를 찬양하리라 후렴

#### **SPANISH**

1 Señor, mi Dios, al contemplar los cielos, el firmamento y las estrellas mil, al oír tu voz en los potentes truenos y ver brillar al sol en su cenit,

Estribillo Mi corazón se llena de emoción. ¡Cuán grande es Él! ¡Cuán grande es Él! Mi corazón se llena de emoción. ¡Cuán grande es Él! ¡Cuán grande es Él!

- 2 Al recorrer los montes y los valles y ver las bellas flores al pasar, al escuchar el canto de las aves y el murmurar del claro manantial, Estribillo
- 3 Cuando recuerdo de tu amor divino que desde el cielo al Salvador envió, al buen Jesús, que por salvarme vino y en una cruz por mí sufrió y murió, Estribillo
- 4 al dulce hogar, al cielo de esplendor; te adoraré, cantando la grandeza de tu poder y tu infinito amor. Estribillo

Introit

"Out of Yahweh's Heart"

plainsong Arr., C. Winfred Douglas

Out of Yaweh's heart begotten, Ere the world from chaos rose, God is Alpha, from that Fountain All that is and has been flows; God is Omega, of all things, Yet to come the distant Close, Evermore and evermore.

Roby Furley Davis, translation

Offertory Anthem

"Keep Me Faithfully"

G.F. Handel Arr., Richard Proulx

Keep me faithfully in thy paths, O Lord and cleanse me from my sin. In thy goodness, Lord be thou merciful.

From the third "Chandos Anthem"

#### **Church Information and Announcements**

We are an open and affirming community of faith in Jesus Christ. At home in an urban neighborhood of many faiths, we acknowledge that we are not alone on the path to understanding God. In worship, study, and fellowship, we celebrate our Presbyterian roots and find joy in our diversity. We strive for the grace to love one another as we seek a deeper understanding of life in the Spirit, working for justice and serving as stewards of God's wondrous creation.

**Sixth is a More Light Church**: A network of people seeking and affirming the full participation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people of faith in the life, ministry and witness of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

**Inclusive Language:** Words matter. Jesus Christ, the living Word, reached out to all people to bring them into God's fold. The kingdom of God includes all people; therefore our language should reflect the inclusivity and equality among the people of God. To that end, when possible, we seek to eliminate the inherent bias of the English language toward the masculine gender without altering passages that reflect the historical situation of ancient patriarchal culture, out of which the Bible originated.

**Masks:** EVERYONE, vaccinated or not, is asked to wear a mask while inside the building.

**Prayer Cards:** If you would like to have a person named and prayed for during the pastoral prayer, please fill out one of the white cards by the bulletins/ushers and give it to Vincent prior to the service.

**Recording Notice:** This service is being livestreamed and is available online in perpetuity

**Seating:** While distancing is not required, we do encourage people to leave space as attendance allows and to be mindful of people's continued need for distance

**Registration:** We are glad for all who have come! Please fill out the friendship pad and leave it in the pew. We will use that information for contact tracing as needed.

**COVID Exposure:** If you test positive for COVID and you have been in the building within the two weeks prior, please contact the office immediately so that we can conduct contact tracing

**Church Nursery:** Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available during the worship service. Our childcare staff are required to be vaccinated and masked.

**Sunday School and Extended Session:** Sunday school for children in preschool through third grade is held during Extended Session each week during worship. Masks are required for all participants and our teachers and staff are vaccinated.

**Virtual Sunday School:** There are two options for virtual Sunday School. Students of all ages are invited to join Jenny Newman on Zoom to explore our weekly Sunday school lessons on Sundays at 10 am and Thursdays at 6 pm. Lessons will last about 30 minutes and links to the Zoom sessions will be sent weekly via email.

**Adult Sunday School:** Bill Guy's class meets Sundays at 9:30 am over Zoom. Contact Bill to receive the Zoom link and to be added to his email list.

**Water of Baptism:** Each Sunday we pour water into our baptismal font to reaffirm the covenant that God makes through this community of faith

**Candles for Peace, Justice and Personal Prayers:** You welcome to come forward to light a candle anytime during worship when words are not being spoken. Please maintain physical distance while waiting your turn.

**Children and Candles:** We love having children participate in the service, but we ask that — in order to maintain everyone's safety — children not go forward to light candles at this time.

Fellowship: We are not providing coffee or other refreshments after worship at this time

**Today's Service:** Peter Kaplan (liturgist); Karl Greenley (livestreaming); Bill Beggs, Carol Beggs, Ray Dittner (ushers)

**Bible Study:** Pastor Vincent's weekly Bible study of the lectionary texts meets Wednesdays at 10:30 am over Zoom. Contact the office to be added to the email update list.

**Next Week's Readings:** Job 42:1-6, 10-17 and Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22); Jeremiah 31:7-9 and Psalm 126; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

Next Week's Message: "I Was Blind, But I Think I See"

### Upcoming Meetings and Events in (and around) the Church

### Sunday, October 17

Adult Sunday School (9:30 am, Zoom) Sunday School (10 am, Zoom) Worship (11 am, in-person and streaming) NA—Men's Meeting (8 pm)

#### Monday, October 18

NA – Make a Change (7 pm)

#### **Tuesday, October 19**

Earth Care Committee (7 pm, Zoom)

#### Wednesday, October 20

Bible Study (10:30 am, Zoom) Deacons (7 pm, Zoom)

### Thursday, October 21

Sunday School (6 pm, Zoom) Youth Group (6:30 pm, Zoom) Choir rehearsal (7:30 pm)

#### Saturday, October 23

NA – Squirrel Hill Group (7:30 pm)

#### Sunday, October 24

Adult Sunday School (9:30 am, Zoom)

Sunday School (10 am, Zoom) Worship (11 am, in-person and streaming) NA – Men's Meeting (8 pm)

#### Monday, October 25

NA – Make a Change (7 pm)

#### Wednesday, October 27

Bible Study (10:30 am, Zoom) Session (7 pm, Zoom)

#### Thursday, October 28

Sunday School (6 pm, Zoom) Youth Group (6:30 pm, Zoom) Choir rehearsal (7:30 pm)

### Saturday, October 30

NA – Squirrel Hill Group (7:30 pm)

#### Sunday, October 31

Adult Sunday School (9:30 am, Zoom) Sunday School (10 am, Zoom) Worship (11 am, in-person and streaming) NA—Men's Meeting (8 pm)