

7th Sunday after Pentecost July 19, 2020

PRELUDE

Dr. Brenda Clark

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

Wm. Doane, Arr. By C. Kohlmann

WELCOME

Rev. Rachel Vione

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Psalm 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,

O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

*HYMN NO. 403

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

UNSER HERRSCHER

1. Open now thy gates of beauty,
Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty
Waits for God who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessed is this place,
Filled with solace, light and grace!
2. Gracious God, I come before thee,
Come thou also unto me;
Where we find thee and adore thee,
There a heaven on earth must be.
To my heart, oh, enter thou,
Let it be thy temple now!

3. Speak, O Lord, and I will hear thee,
Let thy will be done indeed;
May I undisturbed draw near Thee
While thou dost thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows,
Here is balm for all our woes.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lord, too often we speak without pausing to seek your wisdom. We assume our own goodness and fail to question our limited knowledge and understanding. We hurt others with our hasty, often well intended, words and actions. We falsely believe our ways are your ways and condemn those who disagree with us. In this tumultuous time, turn us toward you. Remove the scales from our eyes and give us ears to hear your guidance. Do not let our need for earthly approval sway our commitment to take up our cross and follow Jesus. Forgive our failings. Take our faltering attempts at faithfulness and use them to lead us to your paths of righteousness.

Silent prayers on confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 5:24-34

MEDITATION

Affirmation of Faith (*Confession of 1967, sections 9.27 and 9.30*)

The one sufficient revelation of God is Jesus Christ, the Word of God incarnate, to whom the Holy Spirit bears unique and authoritative witness through the Holy Scriptures, which are received and obeyed as the word of God written. The Scriptures are not a witness among others, but the witness without parallel. The church has received the books of the Old and New Testaments as prophetic and apostolic testimony in which it hears the word of God and by which its faith and obedience are nourished and regulated. God's word is spoken to the church today where the Scriptures are faithfully preached and attentively read in dependence on the illumination of the Holy Spirit and with readiness to receive their truth and direction. Amen.

OFFERING

ANTHEM "Thine is Love Unending" Martin Blumer

Ariana Warren, vocals. Dana Warren. piano

*DOXOLOGY Hymn No. 606 OLD HUNDRETH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.*

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.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Postlude in A Minor" G. Calkin

Please pray for members and friends of our congregation

For those who have given their lives in service to our country, all those who are suffering as a result of the coronavirus, essential employees who go to work so we can be safe and healthy, those who are persecuted for their faith, those who protest peacefully, Kathy Joerger (friend of Marilyn Fox), Sheryl Schmier (former co-worker of Dennis Hartin) John Bailey (David Dickman's cousin), Christine Heaton (Anita Stambouly's sister), Justin Yoskowitz, the Pastor Nominating Committee, Aaron Thomas, Bob White, Art Shaw, Brian Brewer (Faustine White's son), Charlene Cosman, **the family of:** Florence D'Amico (Anita Stambouly's mother, Steve Siegmann, **those in Healthcare facilities-** Atria: Ann Deery, **our partner congregations:** Nueva Paz, Cuba and Iglesia Evangelica Presbiteriana Nueva Vida, Malverne; the Presbytery of Long Island and its staff; the Synod of the Northeast, the Presbyterian Church (USA), its Louisville staff, its missionaries worldwide.

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